

"Prisons are not full of pro-fessional criminals. They are full of professional prison-ers." Mr Baker said. "Many of what happens in prison," It was not true that all pris-

them are virtually illiterate oners were nasty, evil and un-repentant. "We are not talkand have no skills they can apply on their release.

# Hole in the wall ga

Artist's impression of John Lloyd (back row, left) with fellow defendants. Fugitive Kenneth Nove (top left).

tem of this country would have been put at risk." Luke Harding and Christopher Elliot The plan was discovered when a computer expert the gang tried to recruit went to GLOBAL conthe police. spiracy to steal The seven are: John Lloyd, aged 57, of West Kingsdown, Kent; Paul Kidd, 36, of Meo-pham, Kent; Graham Moore, 32, of Erith, Kent; Stephen hundreds of mil-

tions of pounds from cash machines was mounted by an elite team of criminals, it emerged yester-day. The plan, had it suc-ceeded, would have crippled Seton, 65, of Chislehurst, Kent; Stephen Moore, 41, of Leytonstone, East London; William Haward of Yalding, Kent, and John Maguire, 36, the British banking system. One of those involved was Kenneth Noye, who killed a policeman in 1965. He is on of Mottingham, Kent. Judge Geoffrey Rivin QC adjourned sentence until Dethe run - believed to be in Russia - wanted over the cember. The seven admitted conspiracy to steal cash from banks, building societies and road rage murder last May on the M25 of Stephen Cameron. financial institutions between Yesterday, seven conspira-January 1 1995 and July 25 tors admitted at Southwark crown court, south London, 1995. They face a maximum of seven years in Jail. A second charge of conspir-acy to defraud, which they all denied, was ordered to lie on their part in a plot which would have undermined the public's confidence in cash dispensers, it was claimed. Ann Curnow QC, prosecut-ing, said: "Had the conspiracy

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the court file. The gang intended to succeeded, the banking sysrecruit corrupt British Tele-

How the scam would have worked ......

3 The gang record the PIN number and CCV in their

encrypted form on a mem-

ory board. The data is then fed into a sophisticated

computer and decoded.

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taps on lines between cash nsers and banks. 2 The phone taps would supply vital information.

4 The decrypted data is then Cash point cards contain a re-stored on a new plastic card and magnetic strip. 5 A network of criminals PIN number and a card veri fication value or CVV hidden on the magnetic strip. could then use thousands of These security numbers are fake cash point cards to 'encrypted' each time the card is used and transmitwithdraw huge sums from Britain - and abroad in an ted to banks and building elaborate and technically ociefies. adacious scam.

com employees to tap into the lines that run between cash dispensers and the main banking computers, the court was told. Confidential informarksmen stationed around the court. Lloyd was described as one of the main organisers of the scam. Miss Curnow said: "Noye played a prominent role in various meetings orga-nised by Lloyd. Certain it is that Noye and Lloyd were close associates " mation from customers would have been downloaded and used to make bogus cards.

Massive security sur-rounded the case, with police close associates

Both were suspects in the computer expert Martin 226 million Brink's-Mat gold Grant, recruited by the gang Grant, recruited by the gang while serving 16 years for at-tempting to murder his wife and her child, confessed to a bullion robbery in 1983. It was while undercover detectives were searching Noye's Kent mansion for stolen gold that he stabbed to death Detective prison chaplain. He then made a statement of more than 300 pages to Scotland Yard detectives. Constable John Fordham. Noye, now 52, admitted

stabbing the detective 10 The police raided Haward's home and found five conspirtimes after confronting him in a garden at night, but said ators, including Lloyd and he panicked and acted in self Haward.

SKETCH: JULIA QUENZLER

frustrated."

defence. He was acquitted of The judge said: "Police murder and manslaughter at the Old Bailey in 1966. Nove disappeared hours after the found computer hardware and software designed to encode plastic credit cards with what purports to be relevant account details of literally killing of Mr Cameron. After the Brink's-Mat rob-bery, Lloyd left the country. But, said Miss Curnow, when tens of thousands of personal bank account holders. Lloyd returned to Britain in Detectives recovered a

the late 1980s the Crown Pros-ecution Service decided not to large number of plastic cards that were to be used to make bogus credit cards. "The pros-ecution case is that both in the UK and across the globe the gang planned to obtain rosecute him. Also involved in the cash dispenser plot was Haward, who was jailed for shooting London gangster "Mad Fran-kie" Fraser in the head. cash by the use of counter feited cash and credit cards."

The court heard that the love's twin careers, page 5 conspiracy was foiled when

ing about what might be called progressive wafile. The Nearly all prisoners would be released one day, and case for training and for rehawhen they returned to their communities, it was impor-tant to try to ensure that bilitation is the case for the future protection of the public ... if that case is neglected be-cause of the difficulties with "they will not just immediately take up another life of crime and commit more crimfinance or the need for new prisons, then it is possible our inal acts", Mr Baker said. prisons will turn out more ac-That meant providing them complished criminals and the

with the skills to get even the purpose of the bill will in the humblest jobs. Mr Baker echoed criticism medium and long term be

by the former Lord Chief Jus-The introduction of UStice. Lord Taylor, when he style minimum sentences turn to page 3, column 4

would put much greater weight on the prison system.

If it were to disintegrate or | Sketch, page 2



It's here: the situation we've been warning the world about for two years has exploded.

Aiready, one million people are fleeing the fighting. It doesn't matter whether they are Hutu, Tutsi, Zairean, or Rwandan. Starvation, thirst and disease



# **Clinton set for hollow victory as campaign ends**

#### Democrats in desperate drive to get vote out as lead shrinks The polls suggest that the blitz of 18 states in five days, hope of a Clinton landslide going from sub-tropical Flor-has been stopped in the ida to freezing open air rallies In the final days, the president has invested time and prestige in helping Demoin New England within a cratic candidates in the con ath, where key stat will kill them, even if the bullets don't. single day. At lam yesterday as Georgia, Virginia, North gressional elections. If his The third-party candidate. he was campaigning in Ban-gor, Maine, talking himself so hoarse that his usual mineral Carolina, Tennessee and Kenparty fails to regain both mandate that was within his Ross Perot, meanwhile ex With a million souls seeking safety and Blartin Waltor tucky are tied, or even mov-ing into the Dole camp. Both candidates will this ploited a modest late surge in Houses it will be a personal grasp only a week ago. He opened the last day of in Manchest the opinion polls to buy two hours of prime-time televi-sion last night. The opinion polls show Mr Clinton's lead ranging erratisetback and herald a difficult shelter, Oxfam urgently needs money He opened the last day of his last campaign in the win-try sunshine of New Hamp-shire yesterday morning with an emotional appeal for vot-ers to stay with him as his lead shrank. "I told was hast in worther water was changed for hot second term. to respond to their desperate plight. The Democrats made a last-minute effort to get the vote out but faced an uphill battle lemon and honey. By dawn, he was breakfasting with orning end their whiclwind final campaign tours, each Your help will save lives. local congressional candi-dates in New Hampshire's man intent on driving himself cally from four to 15 per cent. and his exhausted entourage in the congressional races, across the finish line by pure force of will. Mr Dole com-pleted his promised 96 hours Merrimack diner, where he had stopped for coffee in the and there is a serious pros-pect that the Republicans Give a donation today. The president's personal taras Americans go to the polls get is to achieve a moral man-date with more than 50 per oday. But despite a frantic could increase their 53-47 ma-jority in the Senate. 1992 campaign. last-minute campaign blitz. If you stuck with me, Id be of non-stop campaigning, a gruelling schedule for a mancent of the popular vote, a The cafe was emblazoned the president seems to be heading for a hollow victory, with you till the last dawg with posters and memorabilia died," he told a rally in Man-chester, his exhausted voice goal he may miss after strenu-ous efforts against him by the highly conservative Christian aged 73, before ending in his home town of Russell, Kanof that effort, and to rousing **US election** ns, page 7; with the Republicans retain-Hugo Young, page 9; Notebook, page 11; Inside story, 02 page 4 ing control of Congress and barely penetrating their ear-with votars failing to give maffs. "Well, there's a lot of him the convincing personal life left in the old dawg yet." cheers he took from the wall sas, to cast his vote today. as a souvenir a 1992 campaign Mr Clinton ended with a T-shirt. ent and Letters 8; World News Finance Sport § Britian nside Obituarles 10 Abiter splitis A prostitute told Paul Gascolgne. G2 A bitter spaces developing in the Evences Commission over demands to obuse out here subsidies permu tobacco predicers of her relationship finally admitted he in sector word 15; Weather 16; Cros had assaulted his Radio 16; TV 16 the care of the state of the st with fext inspector Michael Alicock wife, and said he was hoping that who denies 13 counselling would help him change. comption charges. Sec. 1 today. 16 \_\_\_\_\_

# 2 NEWS

# Sketch

# Unwise counsel that failed to keep the privy private



Simon Hoggart

ERE'S a story that tells you much of what you need to know about modern British life and

A few late nights ago I was watching Channel 4, and caught the result of an adjudication by the Broadcasting Complaints Commission. It concerned a complaint by

Ms Lyn Bryan, a Labour Party press officer, against a pro-gramme called The Mark Thomas Comedy Product, I sent off for a copy.

It read: "Some weeks before the programme Mark Thomas had recorded a conversation with Ms Bryan in which he had asked her if she could find a Labour MP who would be prepared to be interviewed sitting on the toilet.

"Extracts of the conversation were broadcast as a leadin to a sketch featuring George Galloway MP being interviewed sitting on his tollet.

"In the commission's view Mark Thomas had not made it clear to Ms Bryan that he was recording their telephone conversation and that part of it might be broadcas

"Although Ms Bryan was not named, she would have been identifiable to her friends and colleagues, some of whom might have wrongly concluded that Ms Bryan had arranged the interview with George Galloway MP.

The commission accordingly found that the broadcast had unwarrantably infringed

her privacy." I don't know what is most pitiful about this tale. Is it the "alternative comedian" (yes, there are lots of alternatives to comedy, and an embarrassing childish stunt is one) who thinks it would be hilarious to have an MP - even a sort of pretend MP like George Galloway — sitting on the

agree to be filmed while sit-ting on the loo? Then there is the spin doctor so desperately insecure that, even though she is not named, she feels she has to drag the whole cumbersome apparatus of the Broadcasting Complaints Commission to get revenge for an "infringement of privacy".

For a spin doctor to com-plain about her privacy being invaded is as abourd as a boxer suing his opponent for Finally, at a time when the world's greatest broadcasting

system (yes, that's not just a myth, once it really was) is being systematically disman-tled, haven't the great and the good got more urgent tasks than worrying about these pathetic people and their puny problems? Book in the Chamber we

Back in the Chamber we watched a rare victory by Mr Jack Straw over Mr Michael Howard.

The Home Secretary was aunching yet another crime bill, the 34th since the current government came to power. Each one, as Mr Straw pointe out, has been announced as the ultimate solution to the problem

The 1991 Act, for example, was supposed "to see us through into the next cen-tury". Yet each is now so much waste paper, like a discount pizza coupon past its redemption date.

Mr Howard was also mugged, though courteously, by two of his predecessors. Mr Douglas Hurd pointed out that the policy of banging up a large part of the population would merely create better and more accomplished burglars.

This is to miss the point When they get out, we will have a Labour home secretary, so Mr Howard will have someone else to blame. Tony "Von" Marlow rose

repeatedly to demand the return of hanging and flog ging. Mr Howard said that he did not wish "to go down that road". Mr Straw asked him whether he was ruling out flogging and birching. Mr Howard said: "I am happy to confirm it."

Mr Straw looked very pleased. At last, there's now a chance of Labour having a







John Prescott, Labour's deputy leader, at the announcement of yesterday's result, promptly denounced by the Tories as an 'Albanian plebiscite' PHOTOGRAPH: MARTIN ARGLES

### The Guardian Tuesday November 5 1996

# **Party backs Blair agenda** by landslide

# Leader wins 95pc of vote

## Michael White Political Editor

ONY BLAIR last night promised to do everything in his power to drive John Major from Down-

ing Street in an early general election after a landslide vote of endorsement for his mini-manifesto by Labour's rankand-file membership. With smiles of relief that

their gamble with a mass consultation had not backfired. Mr Blair and his senior col leagues announced the ballot results before a roomful of cheering candidates and loy-alists — leaving the Conser-vative chairman, Dr Brian Mawhinney, to denounce it as an Albanian plebiscite" Final figures gave the party leadership 95 per cent of the

230,402 votes cast by ordinary Labour members on a 61 per cent ballot, and 90 per cent of those cast by 632,000 trade union members. The unions' 24 per cent turnout was respectable by the standards of some of their internal elections, though it took a late push - including telephone canvassing - to clinch the level of participation. . The figures were higher than for the ballots on Clause

4 and the 1994 leadership con-test. They enabled Mr Blair to claim "the party's covenant with the people, our mandate to stand as new Labour and to govern as new Labour. What people see is what they will ge

With Mr Major reduced to an overall Commons majority of one by the death on Sunday of the Tory MP Barry Porter, Mr Blair was repeatedly asked yesterday why he could not now engineer the Government's defeat. He said: "We have already

made our position very clear indeed. In respect of parliamentary tactics, we will pursue any tactics that are res- is, "Why aren't you calling an | him the general election"



Tony Blair ... hailed party covenant with the people

Five key pledges Cutting class sizes to.

30 or under for five to seven-year-olds Fast track punishment for persistent young offenders

Cut NHS waiting lists by treating an extra 100,000 patients

🗆 Get 250,000 under 25year-olds off benefit and into work

Set tough rules for government spending and borrowing

**Ballot** papers dispatched: 380,688 230,402 Votes cast: 218,023 Yes: 11,285 No: 1,093 Spoiled papers:

ponsible ... In the end, of course, the question that you should be putting to John Major and the Conservatives

ing left to do."" At the heart of the policy statement, sent to 380,000 members, are Mr Blair's "five early pledges" which poll-sters say are key voter prior-ities. Yestarday he restated four more promises that a Blair government would seek to im

An end to waiting for sur gery for diagnosed cancer. combat kniv

a cut in VAT on heating to 5 per cent; in movement towards a start-ing rate of income tax of 10p

in the pound. Ministers have derided the

pledges as "motherhood and apple pie" even as they have tailored their own policies to minimise their impact. The Liberal Democrats also accuse Labour of producing an "extremely vague" document. Labour believes it has set out the tone and priorities of

a Blair first term, and prempted traditional charges of "betrayal" by staging the bal-lot. But it has ducked specific pledges on sensitive decisions such as fax rates and British membership of the EU's single currency

Inevitably Dr Mawhinney did his best to rain on the parade. "The news that Labour Party members have voted 19 to one for the party's docu-ment proves what we have known all along: this was no true vote. It was a ludicrous charade that had more in common with an Albanian plebiscite than a democratic election." he said. Privately some Labour left-

wingers endorse Dr Mawhinney's complaint that "of course the most active members of the party would support a straight yes' vote un-questioningly" — without also accepting the Tory chair-man's belief that "it might have won Mr Blair support for his policies but it will lose

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# Review

# Day trip to the romantic era

Edward Greenfield | 1826, evocatively romantic, was here given a reading which combined refinement

#### ............................. **Reyal Concertgeboury** Orchestra Barbican

HATEVER they may think in Vienna or Berlin, there is no finer orchestra in Europe than the Royal Concertgebouw of Amsterdam. I have thought so many times, whether hearing them on their home ground in the Netherlands or on visits to London.

It is one of the rare musical treats these days that they can organise day trips to the Barbican for Sunday afternoon concerts, making this magnificent band almost a domestic orchestra by adoption.

This time the mixture was all the more compelling, when the conductor in charge was our own charismatic. If often controversial, John Eliot Gardiner. The fascination was to

observe the meeting of a great traditional orchestra, justly famed for its lustrous string tone, and a conductor wedded to the new disciplines of period performance.

It is Gardiner's gift that his pursuit of authentic performing practice is rarely, if ever, rigid. He uses it not didactifor genuinely expressive ends, and so it was here, in a pro-gramme cunningly devised to bring unexpectedly together three works that were written within three years of each other in the late 1820s, but which represent quite differ-ent approaches to the then evolving romantic movement.

So Weber's overture to Oberon, written in Londo

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## **IRA** 'is rethinking the use of violence' claims Bruton

#### David Sharrock ireland Correspondent

THE IRA's use of violence The IRA's use of the rule to remove British rule from Ireland is undergoing a "serious rethink", the Irish Prime Minister, John Bruton, said yesterday.

republic at the weekend, but he said: "What we do know, however, is that there is a serious rethinking going on within the republican movement. There is a realisation that violence is self-defeating. There is a sense of that within the republican movement. Twenty-five years of violence

Concertgebourw.

Mr Bruton was not aware of disunited Ireland more than an IRA convention in the any external agent

and electric tensions. That led to Berlioz's scena inspired by Shakespeare, La Mort de Cléo patre, his firebrand entry for heart surgery on President Boris Yeltsin, saying the the Prix de Rome, Striking as the piece is, this is hardly Berlioz at his finest, which lengthy preparation period had given him his best chance made one grateful to have as soloist an artist of the calibre of the mezzo, Anne-Sofie von of surviving the operation. Sergei Yastrzhembsky, the presidential spokesman, said doctors had determined Mr Otter, heightening the French text of P A Vieillard, bringing the heroine's vehement, defi-ant character to life, fearlessly Yeltsin, aged 65, was in "opti-mal" condition to allow the bypass operation -- to imusing the widest dynamic

prove the blood supply to his heart — to take place "in the next few days" with maxi-the last two years. contrasts. Interpretatively, the most revealing performance came in the main work of the second mum safety. half, Schubert's Great C major Symphony. It was here that Gardiner benefited most of all from his period performance

The band of strings was aptly modest, 12 first violins, 10 seconds, divided left and right, and with Concertebouw refinement and purity one had a transparency to match that of old instru-

ments, but with none of the abrasiveness common to period performance. Characteristically, Gardi-ner sprang rhythms to make fast speeds seem resilient and exhilarating, never rushed, and it was revealing to find many of the notorious inter-matring news corriga

pretative problems sorting themselves out, when fast speeds seemed to require few of the traditional, unmarked speed changes. One hopes to hear much more of the collaboration of John Eliot Gardiner and the

This review appeared in ater editions yesterday.

family and that pictures of her cavorting naked with John Bryan, her financial adviser. rnined any chances of cementing her role in the monarchy.

of popularity I knew the by inches clock would strike 12 and I'd be seen for what I was;

The clock was chiming, nine, 10, 11. My coach was not because we stopped car-ing for one another but bereverting to pumpkinhood before my eyes." After she heard that the cause I had reached the end

f my royal rope. pictures were going to be ess is reported to have "For six years I had en published, she spent a debts totalling £4.5 million. of my royal rope.

operation, first announced in ern specialists will be on nomyrdin. The decree trans-September, was imminent. The head of the Russian Or All Russia, and particularly signed immediately before thodox Church, Patriarch

**Doctors poised to operate on Yeltsin** 

Alexei II, urged all believers to pray for the president, and Interfax news agency said the defence minister, Igor Ro-dionov, had put off a planned trip to a northern naval base. The president will get as many as four bypass grafts to

pulse and blood pressure were normal. But the optimis his coronary arteries. Accord-ing to the American beart tic signals did not disguise the fact that the six to eightsurgeon, Michael DeBakey, who flew in from Houston on Sunday to confer with Rushour operation will be a dangerous one. Mr Yeltsin, how-ever. is driven by the knowledge that the country is riven by bitter feuds between sian doctors, the main artery serving the left ventricle is severely constricted in three competing political clan

artery is completely blocked. Russia's leading bypass sur-geon. Professor Renat Ak leaders. The recovery period could be as dangerous as the opera-tion itself, with a severe risk of internal bleeding and lung problems. Mr Yeltsin has sufchurin, was yesterday offi cially appointed to head the Russian team which will fered three heart attacks in the last two years. There were other signs the Bakey, and three other west-

sleepless night sipping brandy before the news-

apers were delivered to

Balmoral where the royal

family was on holiday. She describes Prince Charles,

the Princess Royal and

Prince Edward "eyes wide and months ajar" flipping through the tabloid news-papers over breakfast

"until they saw Andrew "until they saw Andrew and stopped, as it never feels quite right to be gaz-ing at your brother's wife when she hasn't all her

"I had been exposed for what I troly was. Worthless. Unfit. A national disgrace."

Buckingham Palace de-clined to comment, but Ben

Pimlott, author of a recent

biography of the Queen, said: "A period of silence would probably be greatly

appreciated. Buckingham

Palace would prefer her to

The duchess's book com as Fergie: Her Secret Life,

by Allan Starkie, a former

friend, is published, on Fri-

day. The duchess attempted to have the book, which de-tails her affairs with Mr Bryan and Steve Wyatt, the

son of an American off-

tycoon, withdrawn but had

to drop her legal action when she was asked to lodge £500,000 as security

in case she lost. The duch-

clothes on

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Duchess: 'I was unworthy'

Story

A doctors' statement released by the Kremlin said Mr Yeltsin's temperature,

#### Kamal Ahmed THE DUCHESS of York

Shift of powers to PM

delayed till last minute

David Hearst in Moscow

MEETING of Rus-

sia's top doctors last night gave the go-

ahead for major

has admitted that she was unfit to be a mem ber of the royal family and that the "barely velled" hostility of Buckingham Palace courtiers hastened the end of her marriage to Prince Andrew. The duchess's claims, in

part similar to those made by Diana, the Princess of Wales, have thrown more light on the power of the royal family when faced by an "unsuitable" member.

The duchess, in an ex-phy My Story serialised in The cover of Hello! featuring Hello! magazine today, extracts from My Story says she always saw herself as the "Cinderella" of the

dured the constant scrutiny of the British press and the barely veiled hostility of the royal household, the coartiers who run the show. Gradually, relent-lessly they had beaten me down. They were killing me "Even at my dizzy height

The duchess says the Queen gave her a furious unworthy. unattractive, unaccomplished," she says. dressing down because of the damage the Bryan pic-tures did to the monarchy. "From early on that year [1992] Andrew and I had been discussing separation,

the Kremlin advisers, will now be on tenterhooks. Mr Yeltsin has left until the very last moment the issue of transfering power to his powers back. prime minister, Viktor Cher-

tion Anatoly Chubais, presidential chief of staff who has been accused of acting as the president goes into the Russia's regent, will be formally bound to serve Mr theatre. As soon as he recovers, a second decree will Chernomrydin, who until now has been the victim of his intrigues and be signed transferring the appointments. For the period of the opera-

# **CRISIS IN CENTRAL AFRICA**

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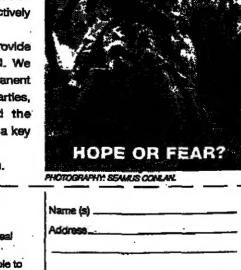
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Turner prize-winner Rachel Whiteread (above) who is leaving art dealer Karsten Schubert for the bigger and better-known dealer Anthony d'Offay (right). Top, one of Mr d'Offay's West End galleries, where he also shows the likes of Andy Warhol and Gilbert and George

# Art world rocked by 'bloody divorce'

#### Sarah Boseley

NE of Britain's best respected contemporary art dealers announced he was attention closing down his gallery yesterday, after his leading light, Turner prize-winner Rachel

The revelation of what one

her work grew, even though he represented some artists who began to feel they were not receiving his individual Anthony D'Offay Gallery Artists include: Gilbert and George, Gerhard Richter "It took up an enormous

amount of Karsten's energies, working for Rachel," said an-D Lisson Gallery Artists: Richard Deacon

Who sells who

Anya Gallacio, who was

very much like the artists. represented by Mr Schubert until she left about a year ago, said most of Mr Schubert's they want to do it. It is more They don't all make a lot of

a huge loss of face — that such a great relationship and such great teamwork can fall apart so easily." said a colleague. Any Gollacia, who were a subset of a sub dealer, without his own gallery space.

A spokeswoman for Anthony d'Offay said the gallery had no The French medical organisation, Médecins sans Fron-tières, which has been forced time was taken up with Ms than just a financial Whiteread, but there were arrangement." comment - and was not willrespect the ceasefire. withdray Mr Schubert would not dis- be contacted either. the region, yesterday called | Leader comment, page 8

countries.

**NEWS 3 French** call for action in Zaire spurs ill Mobutu

Chris McGreal in Gisenyi, Paul Webster In Paris and John Palmer in Brussels

RESIDENT Mobutu Sésé Séko of Zaire will soon return home after finishing treatment for cancer in Swit-zerland, his spokesman said last night — hours after France had called for immediate international intervention in his country.

Urgent contacts began between several governments over ending the conflict in eastern Zaire, and the leader of one of the main rebel fac-tions fighting there called a three-week ceasefire to allow aid workers to evacuate refuge President Mobutu's spokes

man, Rabuya Lumuna, said the Zairean leader had prostrate cancer surgery in a Swiss clinic on August 22. "His therapy ended on October 30 and no further medical examinations are expected." The president would be in France for a short while be-fore returning home. He was tomorrow due to meet the United Nations

special envoy, Raymond Chretien, who was expected to fly to Nice to discuss the crisis, the UN spokeswoman. Sylvana Foa, said in New York.

Hundreds of thousands of people have been displaced or trapped by two weeks of fight-ing between Zairean troops and ethnic Banyamulenge Tutsis who took up arms after being threatened with expul-sion from Zaire. Rwanda is believed to be backing the Tutsi rebels

President Jacques Chirac of France and the Spanish prime minister, José-Maria Aznar, were due to discuss the plan for multinational intervention at a Marseille sum-mit last night. France already has troops

on standby who could be used to establish corridors to deliver food, tents and medical

land and use the airport at Ki limba, close to Uvira, as well as in Goma, which is completely under our control," Mr Kabila, said. But he held at bases in neighbouring

warned fighting would resume if Zaire failed to

western governments were last night confusedly debating their reaction to the French call. Although France appears ready to send its own forces to the region, provided the action has international back-EU governments are ready to provide only logistical support — but no ground troops — for a peacekeeping mission with a strict time limit. Even this limited role

would be conditional on any security operation having the backing of the UN, Zaire, Rwanda and the Organisation of African Unity. The French announcement

for immediate military intervention. It warned that unless rapid action was taken, thouands of refugees would die. European Union and other

came as the UN High Com-missioner for Refugees, Sa-dako Ogata, and the European Commissioner, Emma Bonino, threw their weight behind the idea of protected corridors down which the refugees could return home to Rwanda, as opposed to setting

up safe areas in Zaire. East African leaders are due to meet in Nairobi today to discuss the crisis, but Zaire has said it will not attend until Rwandan troops are withdrawn from its soil. Laurent Kabila, leader of

the Alliance of Democratic Forces for the Liberation of Congo-Zaire, which has seized swaths of territory in astern Zaire around Uvira, said he had called yesterday's ceasefire to allow aid workers o evacuate the refugees.

"Those who are opposed to going back to their country will be taken in charge by the international community for special assistance," he said, apparently referring to mem-bers of the defeated Rwandan army and Hutu militias who fled into Zaire after leading the genocide two years ago in which 1 million Tutsis and moderate Hutus died.

. "We will give [the aid agen-cies] security so that they can aid to a million refugees in eastern Zaire. Hundreds of tons of supplies are being



artist called the "bloody div-orce" between Ms Whiteread and Karsten Schubert, who has represented her for some years, stunned the intimate

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world of contemporary art. "It is a major, major thing that has happened," said a close associate of Mr Schubert. "It is a stab in the back. Everyone is realing from the shock The third party in the trian-

gle is a bigger and better-known art dealer still. Anthony d'Offay, who exhib-its the likes of Andy Warhol and Gibbert and George at his West Had gallerias. He will player on the international now organise her exhibitions

source the severance highly emotional. with Mr Schubert, who is con. Sidered to have thrown his all closing down the gallery was

Inn Katz in New York

THE ACTION takes place in a violence-ravaged violent seaside town called Verona Beach.

The Capulets and the Mon-

The Capillets and the mour-tagues are rival street gangs who pick up snacks at a hot-dog shack called Rosencrantiky's. The star-crossed lovers meet at a

campy disco. This is Romeo and Juliet Nineties-style, and it is the toast of Hollywood. Baz Luhrmann's fremstic

reworking of the world's most famous love story,

most famous love story, dubbed variously Natural Born Lovers and Shake-speare on Speed, has stunned studio bosses by roaring to the top of tha US box office rankings. With the help of a blaring

rock soundtrack and MTV-style editing, the Bard beat

"Love is alive," chimed

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possible when you are in that situation to do anything Marlborough Galleries about it. On the one hand, she is your major card, and on the Artists: RB Kitaj, Frank Auerbach other hand it is becoming much too demanding." White Cube Ms Whiteread, who won the Artists: Damien Hirst, Turner prize in 1993 for ber

into promoting Ms White-read's career as interest in

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and has designed a Holocaust Memorial for Vlenna which C Frith Street Gallery Artists: Callum Innes, Tahas attracted much admira-tion. She is very much a cita Dean

cino is still packing them in for his riff on Richard III,

recently discovered 1912 screen version of Richard

Looking For Richard. At the same time,

not solely a financial decision stage. The relationship between for the dealer, who represents her and Mr Schubert was said other well-respected artists, such as Alison Wilding, Glenn Brown, Gary Hume and Zebedee Jones.

Bard on speed storms US conservative

Austin

BUT SOFT WHAT LIGHT THRO'

which released the film by

the Australian director of

Strictly Ballroom. "Shake-speare's still No. 1 after 400

Indeed it is difficult to

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would have opened at Mr Schubert's gallery on Thurs-day, but will now go to the Victoria Miro Gallery in the New Year, said life was not easy for dealers, even though British contemporary art was hot news around the world. "Britain is still a bad place Such as Alison Wilding, Slenn Brown, Gary Rume do with the conservative atti-ind Zebedee Jones. "People are suffering from places like Germany where

plenty of other people one could deal with "I think they

had a very intense personal working relationship. He

seems to have reacted very

quickly. It is a bit like a

bloody divorce, really, and unfortunately it's in public.

"But I'm hoping it is going to be a positive thing and that

Martin Creed, whose show

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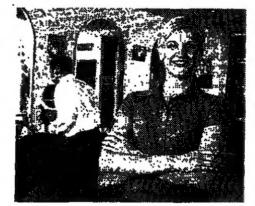
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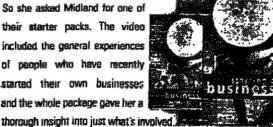
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#### III, the oldest American feature film in existence, is more compelling factors than beginning a limited release, while Kenneth Branagh's Hamlet opens at Christmas. In Hollywood, which last sentencing when a criminal considered whether to commit further offences. He warned that the introduction year enjoyed a lucrative inof automatic life sentences for repeat rapist and violent of-fenders could create more killers who felt they had nothfatuation with Jane Aus-ten, the talk is all of the

dow aded ward e op neth mann. 33. "They start to look for those things that have a universal centre. within the Tory Party. For within the Tory Party. For them to come out in criticism And they say, 'What does it mean to us now?'" of this bill this close to the After the film's surprise

election speaks volumes for the weakness of Mr Howard's success, the industry precase inside the Tory Party." dicts it could eclipse Franco Zeffirelli's classic 1968 Labour last night abstained screen version of Romeo in the Commons second read "Love is alive," chimed Juliet, Trevor Nunn's and Juliet to become the Tom Sherak, a senior exec-utive of 20th Century Fox, good reviews while AI Paing of the Crime (Sentences) Bill with only the Liberal Democrats voting against.

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# **4 BRITAIN**

Identification 'inconsistencies' after embassy attack

# Woman on bomb charge cleared

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#### **Richard Norton-Taylor**

N OLD Bailey judge will today direct a jury to acquit a Palesinian woman who is charged with planting the car bomb that exploded outside the Israeli embassy in London in July 1994. In a dramatic development

in the month-old trial, Mr Justice Garland pointed to "serious inconsistencies" in identification evidence against Nadia Zekra, aged 48, who was arrested six months after the bombing and after a surveillance operation by the

police and MI5. "It would be dangerous in the extreme to place this case be dangerous against Mrs Zekra before a jury," the judge said. "I have no besitation whatsoever in withdrawing the case"

Outside the court Mrs Zekra, of Kensington, west London, who has two children and is university-educated, expressed her relief. "I'm innocent," she added. "I

knew nothing about what they were talking about." She spent nearly five months in Holloway prison before being released on bail. Neil O'May, her solicitor, said: "It was incredible that the case against her was not

stopped earlier." hastily recruited from Har-The judge made the ruling rods, and because they were

after Helena Kennedy QC. wearing uniforms they had to Mrs Zekra's counsel, pointed put on coats and sit down." to contradictory evidence on Mr Duncan told the court the bomber's appearance given by Constable Ian Dunhe was approached by a wom-an who had parked an Audi car near the embassy. She said she had a present for someone. She had a Harrods bag and said she had been asked to return in five mincan of the police diplomatic protection branch, who was outside the embassy at the time, and David Goran, an Israeli embassy security guard. Mr Duncan described the suspect as a woman between 5ft 7in and 5ft 10ins tall and of car exploded.

substantial build. Mrs Zekra, of slight build, was shown in

To place this case before jury 'would

Mr Goran described the suspect as a woman in her sixties with wavy grey hair and, in the judge's words, "a wrinkled face like an old Jewish target in Argentina.

Both men had seen the bomber only fleetingly. The identification parade was six months later. "The observa-July 26, 1994. The court has heard that it caused damage tion was too brief and the gap estimated at £5 million. The too long," said Ms Kennedy. The judge noted: "The pa-rade was made up with ladies next night a bomb exploded hastily recruited from Harin Finchley, north London.

utes. Within 10 minutes the Ms Kennedy referred yes-terday to an entirely "inno-cent association" between one of Mrs Zekra's sons and another defendant, Jawad Botmeh, aged 28, of Biooms-bury, central London. Mr Botmeh, Mahmoud Abu-

Wardeh, aged 25, of Putney, south London, and Samar Alami, aged 30, of South Kensington, have pleaded not guilty to conspiring to cause Earlier, Detective Superin-

tendent Bill Emerton said there was "an intelligence vacuum" surrounding the bombing, which took place shortly after an attack on a The embassy bomb ex-ploded just after midday on

outside offices of the Jewish Philanthropic Organisation for Israel and the Middle East

**Disabled 'losers in share deal'** 

# Action urged over danger fireworks

Nigel Griffiths, Labour's

dents underline the folly of

government deregulation.

Against the advice of safety

experts, the firework industry and trading standards officers,

Pressure mounts on Government | man, called for a review of the | working party after members, 121-year-old law on the sale of | including representatives after two men killed in accidents

Stuart Millar

HE Government yesterday came under renewed pressure for a review of fireworks legislation amid should be put in place." growing public fears over consumer affairs spokesman. said: "These latest tragic inci-

After two men died and another was seriously injured in three accidents over the weekend, politicians and campaigners demanded action to stem the import of dangerous fireworks.

Import controls on fireworks were lifted in 1993. Since then firework injuries have risen from 1,000 a year

fireworks to children. In 1991, fireworks injured 240 chil-dren aged under 13 and 122 13 council, said there was evito 15-year-olds. In 1995, the dence that more dangerous figures were 533 and 292

"It is appalling that so many children are being in-jured by dangerous fireworks fireworks were being sold because there was no proper li censing system. "It is time to look at whether a new system

which are supposed to be kept out of their hands," he said. John Taylor, the consumer ons resumed at Hazlemere primary school, in High Wycombe, Buckinghamshire. David Hattersley, the head teacher, was killed on Friday affairs minister, insisted the existing rules were effective, but said: "I accept the situa-tion has changed and we're when a mortar-style firework exploded in his face. facing more imported fire-works. We commenced a seri-Denise Timcke, who was in New York when her husband, ous review of these matters Steven, was killed by a Chi-

from the Health and Safety

Executive, refused to con-sider the introduction of

training for display organis-

ers. Bill Deeker, who runs Pains Fireworks in Wiltshire,

said he had been disgusted by the attitudes of members.

The revelation came as les-

Stuart Millian

£1.000 each.

the Department of Trade and nese firework in front of his Industry swept away import ... All the lessons will be rules that required specific litwo young sons, returned learned." cences for imported fireworks.

Halifax and Alliance & Leicester bonus plans 'are discrimination'

> regardless of how many accounts they hold. But disability rights groups

HOUSANDS of severely disabled savers will not receive house the yesterday accused the societ-ies of illegally discriminating receive bonus shares against severely disabled customers who rely on other people to administer their acfrom building societies converting to banks under deals which campaigners say may counts. In many of those cases, the carer is the first-named investor. Where a be illegal. Eligible members of the Halifax, and the Alliance-

carer also has a personal ac-& Leicester, will receive a £13 count with the same society. billion share hand-out when the societies are floated next only one set of shares will be paid out. year. Savers can expect about

Severely disabled people living in residential homes where one member of staff Under the societies' plans.

John Boyle, the manager of the Burlingham House resi-dential home in Birmingham. agement. Tom Clarke, shadow minister for the dis-abled, said yesterday the schemes could be illegal under the Disability Dis-crimination Act which besaid his staff controlled the Halifax and Alliance & Leicomes law next month.

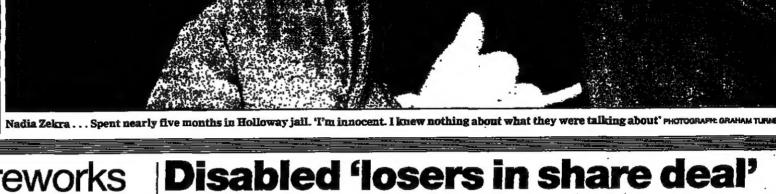
"I am disappointed that both the Alliance & Leicester and the Halifax appear to be ready to ignore the interests of many of their disabled customers. It is time that the building societies put a little more effort into ensuring that honest investors get their fair

head of corporate affairs, said: "The share distribution scheme is the fairest we could dues. Alastair Burt, the disability minister, told Mr Clarke: provide under the terms of current legislation." The Al-liance & Leicester, said: "Of 'The payment of bonus shares being made only once course it appears unfair to to each named member .... some people. But any other scheme would not have been may well result in discrimi-

cester accounts of 29 resi-dents. "These people have held their accounts for over eight years but they will only receive one set of shares be-tween them. The only thing they have done wrong is not being able to look after their own money." Gary Marsh, the Halifax's

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cences for imported fireworks. There must be much closer monitoring of imports." Nigel Jones, the Liberal Niger Jones and the state of the state count. Each investor will fear they may be liable to same way as a non-disabled to return to members as much money as they can."





Matthew Ward, disabled loser in 'dash for cash', and his mother Hazel PHOTOGRAPH: TOM JENKIN

"Again he loses because the manager also runs accounts for other people in the hostel, so they will only get one set of shares between them." Mr Ward said the money muld have here used to count are run, so the build-ing societies have exercised choice for them without diswould have been used to send Matthew on holiday which, with carers' pay, can cost £1,000 for five days in Britain. He said the building societ-

societies to identify disabled account holders. "All they account holders. "All they have to do is place advertise ments asking them to take their pension books into their branch. That way the onus is on the carer to make sure the choice for them without dis-cussing it - with the result that they have been com-pletely disenfranchised from the bonus share offer." He dismissed claims that it He dismissed claims that it person gets the money they are entitled to. But the societ-



A spokesman for Airtours said yesterday that no other passenger was in-volved in the brawl, which was described as "domes-tic". Alcohol was believed to have played a part.

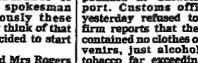
The spokesman added: "We are looking at the pos-"We are looking at the pos-sibility of bringing a civil case against these men for would have to find their

and then there is the landing and handling costs in Portugal." The costs could run into thousands of pounds, the spokesman said. "Obviously these people did not think of that when they decided to start their fight."

to pay for their flights home. A spokesman for the embassy said he believed they were returning yester-

venirs, just alcohol and tobacco far exceeding the legal limit for duty-free

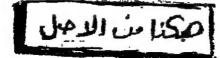
day evening. In an unrelated incident, the family's baggage is be-lieved to have been im-pounded at Gatwick air-port. Customs officials



Mr Rogers and his son contacted the British em-

bassy who helped them ar-range for money to be sent

yesterday refused to con-firm reports that the bags contained no clothes or sou-



**BRITAIN 5** 

The man accused of taking part in a plot to cripple the banking system has found business and crime lucrative. Christopher Elliott reports

# How Noye cashed in on twin careers



lains cash in on their notoriety with book and film deals. Kenneth Nove is still out there doing it --- allegedly.

Since he was acquitted of the murder in 1985 of Detec-tive Constable Kenneth Fordham, the undercover policeman whom he stabbed in the grounds of his Kent home believing him to be an intruder Noye has slipped effortlessly into the role of public enemy No 1

He was born the son of a GPO general manager and a greyhound stadium manageress. After he left school he vorked as a driver pursuing a parallel criminal career in which he acquired a record Detective

for stealing cars and stabbing lifting. His business sense was keen. He bought his own lorry, then a fleet, then a yard. He sold a third of it for right. fingerprints the price he had paid for the whole lot.

He then sustained his twin careers in a series of property and jewellery deals, some le-gitimate, some not; all were was also used by senior detec-tives as a "snout". His handiers thought he gave some very good information. But there were other detectives lucrative. His wife Brenda, the who thought he was taking the Yard "to the cleaners". mother of his two children, is as loyal after 26 years of mar-It was while he was under surveillance that he came riage as she ever was, despite a series of revelations about

her husband's business and across DC Fordham and private lives involving mis-tresses and crime. killed him. However, after his acquittal The couple bought a luxurifor murder -he admitted the ous home in Kent "where the children could grow up withkilling but pleaded self-de-fence - he was jailed for 14

years for being a key figure in out roaming the streets and sniffing glue" according to Brenda, who still lives in a the handling of the 526 mil-lion proceeds of the Brink's £500,000 house in Kent. Nove Mat robbery but served his also became a freemason, and time as a model prisoner, finwas never slow to try the ishing his time at Swaleside handshake out on detectives prison in Kent. He was released in 1994 and he met.

After the Brink's Mat raid has rarely been out of the in 1983, Noye came under sus-



veillance logs.

with the killing.

Mr Cameron was driving

his fiancée, Danielle Cable, in a van on an M25 slip road in

Noye, now aged 52, and he

A month later Nove's name began to feature in their surleaked out in the press as being a suspect. Police con-Then came a fresh twist firmed they wanted to speak to him in connection with the when he was named in connection with the murder of killing and appealed for Nove to come forward. He has not. Stephen Cameron, a 21-yearold electrician who had Since then police have folapparently been the victim of lowed up reports that he has fied to Northern Cyprus, Mara road rage attack in May this year. Noye was identified as bella, Tenerife and most someone Kent police wanted to interview in connection

recently St Petersburg. There have been persistent reports that he has returned to Britain on a number of occasions, at least once to see his alleged mistress, Sue McNicol-Outch.

Kent when an L-registered Land Rover Discovery Three months ago his wife swerved in front of it. The two vehicles stopped and an argutold the Daily Mail: "I have no idea where he is and I don't ment began with the driver of want to know. As far as I am concerned he is better off out the Land Rover, described as aged between 30 and 50. The of it. My husband is an inno older man produced a knife | cent man."

Aspiring MP stole cash to support image Cell death man 'beaten'

#### Staff Reporter

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**AVID** Hurst stole £31,000 from his local party to bolster his image as Labour's prospec-tive parliamentary candidate for Bath by moving to a better flat and buying smarter jailed him for 15 months. clothes, a court heard

surer he signed cheques to himself and forged the signa-ture of another party officer to transfer money to his own account on 42 occasions. Yesterday he sat with his head bowed throughout the hearing at Bristol crown court as Judge Colin Willis

Hurst, aged 35, of Bath, had admitted four specimen charges of forgery asking for 38 other offences to be considered. A self-employed book-keeper, Burst was made treasurer

period of time." Prosecutor Martin Picton said a total of £31,014 had been siphoned off. resigned from bo But two months later he resigned from both positions after he was exposed for claiming dole and housing benefits for four years while working. He was arrested in June after an inquiry by local party officers found more than \$30,000 missing from

when he found himself in debt. The fraud, he said, coincided with Hurst's political ascent

"It was all done to pay off his debts and rather pathetically support the image. There was a pressure to live up to their expectations."

Hurst moved into Marlborough Buildings overlookin park in one of the salubrious districts of Bath where his earnings did not even cover the rent. The court was told he spent thousands of pounds Stephanie Lightfoot-Ben-nett told an inquest in Man-chester: "I was horrified by on the flat. In desperation he resorted to gambling in an attempt to win the stolen money back. He would have faced a nearthe condition of his body. didn't recognise him at all." impossible task in Bath, a seat won by the Liberal Democrat, Don Foster, from the former Tory party chairman Chris Patten at the last election. Labour had only 4,102 votes, less than 8 per cent of the total

Inquest told that body of robbery suspect was unrecognisable

David Want HE twin sister of a man found dead in a police claimed yes

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"I said to them. 'You've brought the wrong body'. It was clear that apart from the injuries he had been seriously ill for a period of time. "The police inspector kept telling me the injuries were self-inflicted. He kept saying he had done them to himself. "I thought it was insensi-

be opened on Mr Patterson. The first, in February 1993, was halted when it was discovered that a juror was married to a local police officer. The jury at the second, held tive he should be saying this

lothes, a court heard He told him: "This was a of the city's Labour Party in constituency funds. resterday. gross breach of trust contin-In his role as party trea- ued over a considerable ranks and was chosen to fight Hurst began forging cheques Young otters desperately seeking new homes. TATAT AT AT AT AT AT CT LT LT TATATATA I AI AI AI

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There are 47 Wildlife Trusts, working locally to ensure a national future for all Britain's wildlife.

Leon Patterson, a heroin addict and prison absconder from north London, died four years ago while being held in police cells in Denton. Greater Manchester, because of the shortage of prison accommodation following the Strangeways prison riot. The inquest is the third to him at a-hospital.

Court in 1994. The hearing is being moni-tored by Inquest, a campaign group concerned with deaths in custody and the inquest system. Ms Lightfoot-Bennett claimed that Mr Patterson, aged 32, had been assaulted by police officers who had neglected the fact he was seriously ill.

that he had been assaulted by police officers after being ar-rested on a robbery charge. In April 1993, returned a ver-was then quashed by the High Having given the jury de-Having given the jury de-Having given the jury de-tails of the previous inquests, the coroner, Leonard Gorodkin, said he would be calling medical experts to try to discover a possible cause of death. The second hearing had been told the cause was 'unascertainable".

Mr Patterson's family have made an official complaint over his treatment in custody, She saw bruises on his face Complaints Authority inveswhen she went to identify tigation have been made him at a-hospital. available to the coroner.

Union hopes for early end to **Ridings** school strike

John Carvel Education Editor

PROSPECTS for a peaceful reopening of the Ridings school in Halifar improved yesterday, when the union leader at the centre of strike action against disruptive pu-pils promised to co-operate to make the school a success. make the school a success. Nigel de Gruchy, general secretary of the National Association of Schoolmasters and Union of Women Teach-ers, said he would be seeking to develop a positive relation-ship with the new head, Peter Clark, in the hope the strike could be lifted when children return tomorrow

Aithough Chris Woodhead, Chief Inspector of Schools, is expected to deliver a damning report to the governors today. it appears unlikely that the Government will send in a "hit squad" to take over management from Calderdale local education authority. However, little progress Notinghamshire, which closed last week in response to a NAS-UWT strike over the alleged be-haviour of a 10-year-old boy. "We are digging in for a long fight," Mr de Gruchy said after the governors de-cided not to change a decision amingt excelling the box against expelling the boy. There was little hope of pro-gress unless the boy's mother ecided to withdraw him or the Government intervened. ● A disruptive pupil on trial placement at Yardleys school in Birmingham attacked a boy of 13 in the playground with a piece of wood, breaking big arm. The player of word of the school big arm. The player of the school of his arm. The city's education department is to investigate

the attack and circumstances

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Growers and makers rally against smoking curbs

# **Tobacco subsidies** split Commission

John Palmer in Brussels

HE European Commission is being split by demands for tougher measures to discourage smoking and phase out the massive subsi-dies paid to European tobacco

growers. The issue is expected to come to a head in Brussels tomorrow when the commission will be called on to take drastic action to reduce the 500.000 EU deaths a year from tobacco-related illnesses

The drive for radical reform of the common agri-cultural policy on tobacco is led by the Irish commissioner for social affairs. Padraig Flynn. He will meet flerce oposition from the tobacco-producing states - notably Greece and Italy - and the tobacco multi-nationals, which have been flexing their lobbying power in Brussels to block any move to raise taxes on cigarettes, reduce nicotine levels or impose stronger health warnings on tobacco products.

In a confidential paper cir-culated to his colleagues, Mr Flynn points out that spends more than £10 million a year combating tobacco consumption and £700 million propping up tobacco production.

Juitan Borger in Belgrade

**RELIMINARY** results

yesterday from Sun-day's elections showed

significant swing against

the former communists gov-erning in Romania and Bul-

garia, but Slobodan Milose-

vic's regime in Yugoslavia again showed itself impervi-

ous to the region's political

currents and strengthened its

counted yesterday afternoon,

Romania's ruling Party for

Social Democracy had se-

cured only 22 per cent of the

With most of the ballots

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This apparent contradic- | as ending subsidised production is the source of considerable public criticism," he ar-The commission has an obligation to respond to the huge threat to public health from smoking."

Initiatives to reduce the de-mand for tobacco and protect people from secondary smoke are not being matched by pro posals for eliminating subsidies or production quotas for tobacco producers, he adds. Mr Flynn challenges his col-leagues to say whether they think there should be "greater

consistency and coherence be sen community policies on tobacco production and obacco consumption". In particular he suggests the commission should sup-

port phasing out of produc-tion subsidies over a period of years and the redirection of aid to encourage crop diversi-fication and rural development in affected regions. The extent of the commis-

sion's differences became public yesterday when the farm commissioner. Franz Fischler, warned that phasing out subsidies could cost many

"This is a debate we will be having internally this week and I am not going to be drawn into public comment now," he said "The debate will be about

anov, a liberal lawyer, beat Ivan Marazov, the Socialist

culture minister, by 20 points

The post is mainly ceremo-nial, and Mr Stoyanov will

wield far less power than the prime minister, Zhan Vid-

enov, a conservative former

communist. But the scale of the setback will put more

pressure on Mr Videnov at a

time of economic crisis and

doubt whether Bulgaria has

in their run-off.

and Montenegro.

tion, but I would point out that this could cost 120,000 jobs among tobacco producers and in the rural areas affected." Aware of the mounting pressure for tougher action, the commission's once-power-ful agricultural directorate-

general is working on a plan to reduce but not eliminate subsidies. This may include switching support from low grade to bet-ter quality tobacco and tightening measures against fraud

in the tobacco sector. "It is all very well arguing for us to stop subsidising tobacco, but there are areas of Greece, for example, where there appear to be no viable alternative crops which can be grown," a commission

agricultural official said Meanwhile the international tobacco companies are mobilising themselves to

block any tougher anti-smok-ing legislation. "If all the measures being discussed in Brussels were to be introduced it would be a nightmare for us," a company executive said yesterday The companies will hope

that, as in the past, they can rely on a few EU govern-ments, led by the British, to block any tightening of adver-tising guidelines or nicotine questions of principle, such and tar limits.

Tsereteli's 300ft Peter the Great on the Moscow River. His patron, the Moscow mayor, sees himself as

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# Serbs buck the trend as Moscow's monumental follies ex-communists ousted

David Hearst tells how the city's heritage has been damaged to accommodate the ersatz art of Zurab Tsereteli

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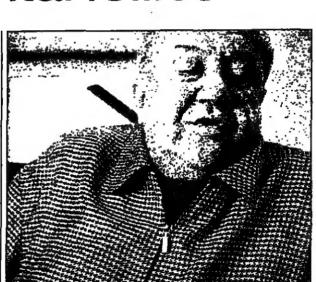
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the details later." Like his sentences, his constructions are completover his native Georgia, ed at break-neck pace. "It

He picks up the telephone. It's the mayor's office. "Show Yuri Mikhailovich [Luzhkov], there is a good article in Rossiski Vesti. It seems it's a real profes-sional, somebody who really understands what art is . . .

Mr Tsereteli does not get good press. His previous creation, a watercourse he created by opening up the Neglinnaya River alongside the Kremlin walls, has been dubbed a Jacuzzi. In it, fig ures from Russia's folk tales - a bear, a fire-bird and an old man with s golden fish - stand on the river bottom, which is lined with multicoloured mosa ics. The golden fish is a fairy fish, which fulfills the fantastic desires of its

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sufficient foreign reserves to ing of trade sanctions has not stopped the fall in living stanlast the winter. Only the Serbian president Mr Milosevic, and his wife dards, and many public-sector workers have not been Mirjana Markovic, defied the paid for months. trend With more than half vote. The centrist and social the votes counted, their Diplomats and p

Together with the ex-com-munist ruling party in Monte-negro, the Serbian left is now likely to command a two-thirds majority in the federal parliament, possibly helping Mr Milosevic to catapult himself from the Serbian to the federal presidency. His dominance seems to have little to do with the state ously at his work. unsure how to react. He has been pictured with George Bush, Bill Clinton, Javier Pérez de Cuéllar. He has painted of the economy. Red Cross flgures show that nearly a third of the population are living below the bread line, the lift-

Baroness Thatcher. George spearing a presliced dragon with a massive tooth-pick, stands out-side the United Nations, all

OR MORE than 30 Scribbling on the desk, years the great and Mr Tsereteli begins with the good have been gusto. "Peter the Great will be standing at the wheel of his frigate. In his right hand he will have the plan of the state as scroll. In the left, the wheel, the symbol

of steering the state. Behind him, the mast. I have not yet decided if there will be sails. We will look after

mocrat opposition now look United Left alliance of social well placed to form a coalition government

In the parallel presidential vote, Ion Diescu, a former communist who has run the country for the past seven years, held a five-point lead over his liberal challenger, Emil Constantinescu. He faces a second round on November 17.

Bulgaria's reformist opposition easily captured the coun-try's presidency. Petar Stoy- 18 per cent of the vote.

## Pupils launch Spanish trial for campaign to end violence in schools

#### Alex Duval Smith in Paris

RENCH secondary school pupils will launch a £30,000 national campaign against violence in schools tomorrow, featuring posters. stickers, meetings and a telephone botline. The government-funded

campaign - called Respect after a rap hit last year by Alliance Etnik - was in-spired by three teenagersshocked by the knife murder of a 14-year-old at the start of term in Marseille. "We don't have the answer

but we have the firm desire to act. We are calling on every-one to break the chain of vioence," Giles Massicot, aged 16, said yesterday. Mr Massicot, one of the

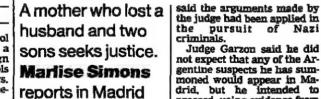
three pupils elected to the national education council -which advises the education ministry — said he hoped the Respect campaign would result in an "anti-violence charter"

Reports of attacks on teachers and pupils in French schools have increased in the past year, prompting strikes and demonstrations. Last spring, after a headmaster was fatally stabbed, teachers were offered a telephone hotline and training courses in dealing with violence.

pupils' initiative was sparked by the murder of Nicolas Bourgat, aged 14, by a class-mate. All French secondary schools suspended teaching on September 20 to organise disrussions about violence

The campaign includes 60,000 posters, one design featuring the Marseille teenager and the words "Nicolas, killed with a knife, just like that"

They will be distributed to schools with 50,000 stickers showing two clenched fists pressing against one another. and the slogan: "Respect: it's stronger than violence."



not expect that any of the Ar-gentine suspects he has sum-moned would appear in Ma-drid, but he intended to

ALMOST every day Esperanza Labrador needs to unlock her "We are still at an early stage," he said. "Where appropriate, we will issue ar-rest warrants, which will then become international grief by crying a little. Her husband and two sons were killed 20 years ago and their killers are still free. Then there are the words that arrest warrants." accused would be liable to ar-rest outside Argentina. Alicia Pierini, Argentina's haunt her from the day the undersecretary for human rights, has said that her gov-Argentine military handed over two of the three bodies:

erament will not co-operate. Because the military lead-ers of that time were tried in 1985 and 1986, imprisoned, "This has been a regrettable mistake." Today Mrs Labrador, aged 74. lives in her native Spain. and then pardoned in 1989 by But the killings took place in the current president, Carlos Rosario, Argentina, in 1976 when the military was fight-ing leftwing insurgents, and, Saul Menem, Argentina says the chapter is closed. in the process, sometimes kid-It is far from closed for Mrs

napping and killing civilians. After 20 years of silence, she has at last told her story The family emigrated to Argentina in the 1950s. The sons, Miguel Angel, aged 26, and Palmiro, aged 29, worked to a judge. Last month a federal judge in Spain opened a criminal in-vestigation into the torture, with their father. "Miguel Angel's sin was to teach evening literacy classes in a slum," his mother said. He disappeared disappearance, and killing of 320 Spaniards in Argentina between 1976 and 1983. He has in September 1976. charged 97 military and

police officers and wants to interrogate them in Spain or in Argentina. A parallel investigation fo-

uses on the abduction of 54 children of the Spanish victims, who remain missing Some bables born in prison are said to have been registered as the children of military and police officers, Judge Baltasar Garzon has

invoked international law to argue that "crimes against humanity" like the ones he is pursuing in this case can be tried anywhere. Experts at the UN tribunal on war crimes in The Hague | Times.

the Milosevic win to the rulists and communists looked set to win a clear majority in ing party's efficiency in mobilising voters, its rigid control over the state media, and the the Yugoslav federal parliament, representing Serbia fact that the main challenger Dragoslav Avramovic, with-drew from the Zajedno coali-Zajedno (Together), an op-position alliance of liberals and nationalists, slumped to 23 per cent. The biggest sur-prise was a strong showing by

vsts attribute the scale of

the extreme Serb nationalist Vojislav Seselj, whose Radical pulling out.

**Argentine killers** 

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Judge Garzon said he did

proceed, using evidence from witnesses and documents.

Then, one night in Novem-

ber, more than 20 hooded

"They were screaming, 'Everybody on the floor," she recalled. "They were kicking us. They made us sign cheques. They yelled, Wa've fulling Balaniae!"

They killed not only Pal-miro but also her husband

Victor, aged 55. Mrs Labrador and her

laughter Manuela fied to

Spain. Since then she has

travelled to and from Argen-

tina hoping for news of Miguel Angel - New York

We're killing Palmirol

men burst into their house.

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ists were to Stalin. Almost tion, under mysterious cirevery other month cultured Moscovites recoil with hor-ror as another Tsereteli cacumstances, less than a month before the vote. price is hoisted into place Other Zajedno leaders claim that the regime's secret police blackmailed him into to dominate the once-grace-ful Moscow skyline. Being generally 300ft high, they are not easily ignored.

In his studio, Mr Tsereteli expands on his latest work, a 300ft bronze of Peter the Great on an artificial island in the Moscow River. This is the leader to whom the mayor of Moscow, Yuri Luzhkov -- the man who commissions all Mr Tsereteli's work — likes to com-pare himself.

and at the Victory Park will be a voung Peter There will be waterfalls war memorial in Moscow. around. It will be a har-The constant in this is the happy smile of Zurab Tsere-teli. A monumentalist mony of sound and colour There will be a bridge over there. We make a yacht club here." he says, point-ing to the poor Moscow rowing club, "and in this, culptor, he is to Boris Yelt sin what the Socialist Realhouses around here. There will be a Peter the Great museum and a restaurant called Petrovski." It's a factory that is churning these works out. The house is covered in his

oil paintings. They are all reminiscent of someone else's work — Cezanne, Van Gogh, Matisse, Chagall and Gaudi.

"I am an artist who is permanently in search. Every-thing is boiling inside me. At night I have dreams in colours. I see things that I must transfer on the canvas."

the golden fish of Mr Luzhkov and Mr Yeltsin, adorning their capital in the twinkling of an eye. Apart from the small question of taste, the problem with this work is the setting: to build it he destroyed the wrought-iron fence of the Alexandrovski Garden, be tween Manege Square and the Kremlin walls, a world heritage site protected by Unesc

Komech, is appalled.

The director of the Mos-

deprived of technical pro-gress, and that she must be epoches when we talk of reconstructed. the communists and the capitalists: the words are

was a friend of Chagall. He was also sworn at. All ern art."

Their masterpieces went to other countries - to France. That's why we are backwards now, because there is no museum of mod-

different but their attitude towards old Moscow is the No prize for guessing Mr

Zurab Tsereteli in the studio. 'I was a friend of Chagall. He was also sworn at. All people of talent were thrown out." cow State Institute of Art Sciences, Professor Alexei cow is in ruins, that she is | and thrown out of here. "It seems we are speak-ing about two different

Mr Tsereteli brushes off the criticism as envy. "I

people of talent were hated | Tseretell's next creation. same. They think that Mos-

Crisis deepens as coup threat grows **Praying for peace in Mobutu's shadow** vives long enough for a a helping hand from outside if smooth transition. When rumours of Mr Mobu-World Bank loans flowed into bave served under bim. **Chris McGreal** in

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paralysed by fear of what will happen if its much-loathed president dies soon

Gisenvi on a nation

which desperately

wants change but

also finds itself

EXT year was supposed to be Mobutu Sesé Sé-ko's year. His main accomplishment as Zaire's pres-ident since 1965 may have been making his compatriots poorer, hungrier and more embittered, but there was every prospect that he would win an election he did not

ven want to hold. That was until last month. Now Mr Mobutu is alling in his French Riviera villa while civil war is eating away the anatomy of Zaire. He may have to watch helplessly while the country he claim only he can hold together cracks apart spectacularly. That is, if he lives long enough.

Since surgery in Switzer land in August for prostate cancer, the Zairean leader has remained under treatment. It is one of the paradoxes of Zaire that however reviled Mr Mobutu may be by some of his compatriots, the pros-



pect of his death has sent shudder through the country. The tremors have been trengthened in recent weeks by stunning advances in east ern Zaire by rebels who have eized two provincial capitals and several other towns.

The rebellion has set off renewed secessionist rumblings in other parts of Zaire. Insurgents have vowed to carry the war in the east to Shaba province in the south, where the government suppressed an uprising with United Nations help shortly after independence. That has spawned a pledge by others to fight on behalf of Mr Mobutu.

The prospect of a widening civil war has helped arouse the spectre of a military coup which almost no one but the army would want. Earlier this year tens of thousands of people marched through the capital demanding an end to Mr Mobutu's rule. Now the popular hope is that he sur-

tu's death ran through Kin-shasa last month, thousands

left the streets and took shel-ter in their homes. People knew what to expect if it was true: almost certainly the army would take it as an excuse to rampage and loot. One of Mr Mobutu's bitter rivals, the former prime min-ister Etienne Tshisekedi, ap-peared on television saying

he was praying the president would not die soon. Few would have imagined it, after what Mr Mobutu has done to

tied years ago as Mr Mobutu fashioned a country where it was all but impossible for most people to survive with-out squeezing every opportunity to make money. Civil servants on salaries of just 70p a month have not been paid for

most of this year. The result is a breakdown of infrastructure and central government. Cars have all but disappeared from Kisangani once the capital of the north. because there are no roads left on which to deliver petrol. **Bicycles fill the streets.** 

Whatever the view at home, for years Mr Mobutu was praised in Europe and the United States for various

Western-friendly acts, such as allowing his country to be used as a base for US-sponsored Unita rebels in Angola,

Zaire's treasury and out into Mr Mobutu's pocket. Rarely were they repaid, Only at the end of the cold war did Mr Mobutu come under any pressure to change his ways — and he rose to the challenge. He turned the

country's politicians against one another, tying up the transition process in knots. Seven prime ministers have come and gone since the transition began. More than 400 political parties are expected to register for next year' ctions in a country which

six years ago was a one-party state. In such political chaos, Mr Mobutu's portrayal of himself as the single cohesive force in Zaire gave him a shot at victory in presidential elec-tions planned for next year.

Part of his strength has been his utter contempt for his opponents. When things were looking difficult for him three years ago, he was asked why he did not take his vast fortune and retire to the south of France. He replied that he had thought about it, but considered others so un worthy of power that he en-

joyed keeping them at bay. Sadly for Zaire, even many

of Mr Mobutu's detractors would agree with his assessment of what is known, usu ally derisively, as the "politi-cal class". Most politicians identify themselves in rela-tion to Mr Mobutu, partly because he sets the agenda and

In the process, he has en-sured that no one has become powerful enough to challenge him. The present prime minister, Kengo wa Dondo, was acceptable because he lacks a power base and had a Tutsi grandmother and a Polish father, barring him from becoming president under the present constitution.

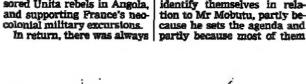
The lack of an obvious po-litical alternative to Mr Mobutu encouraged rumours of a military coup as soon as it was known he was seriously ill. They re-emerged last week when the army chief of staff, General Eluki Monga Aundu. blamed the military's pathetic performance in eastern Zaire on the prime minister.

The accusation was misplaced. The rot was intro-duced by Mr Mobutu, but the general's comments were a warning that the military will be an important factor, if not the decisive one, in deciding what happens post-Mobutu. It may also have been Gen-

eral Eluki's own bid for prominence, as he is one of a number of generals intent on protecting their huge wealth. Most are Ngabandi, like Mr Mobutu, and they include the civil guard commander General Kpama Baramoto Kata.

But a coup could encourage more rebellions across the country by people fearful that the army is intent on perpetuating Mr Mobutu's repression. That could spell the end of Zaire as a state.

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# **WORLD NEWS 7**

**US ELECTIONS: Counting the cost of a last-minute slump** 

# **Clinton faces a hostile Congress**

## The Washington Pest

#### **David Broder**

RESIDENT Bill Clinton faces the prospect of starting a second term with a Republican Con-gress little changed in composition from the one he has fought against for two years, a state-by-state roundup of today's

lection prospects sugge Despite a slump in the last 10 days that may cost him an absolute majority of the popular vote, and bolster the elec-toral college count of the Republican challenger Bob Dole, Mr Clinton appears al-most certain to be the first Democrat since Franklin D. Roosevelt to win consecu-tive presidential elections.

But the Republicans seem likely to maintain their Sen-

election battles to give the House Speaker, Newt Gingrich, a second chance.

The assessments of states and districts are based on interviews with party officials, campaign strategists and ac-tivists, supplemented by pub-lic and private polls. All were on condition of anonymity. If the results reserving the If the results resemble these

If the results resemble these forecasts, this would be the first time since 1930 that Republicans have had House and Senate majorities in two successive Congresses. It would also be the first time in history a Democratic presi-dent has been elected along with a Congress controlled by the opposition party. the opposition party. It became clear last week

that support for Mr Clinton. with a seemingly unassail-able lead of at least 15 points

uary. And enough of the 70 beginning to chip away. A states along the northern bor-House Republican freshmen senior Democrat quipped: der from Oregon and Wash-who swept Democrats out of "God intended for this elec-power in 1994 are winning re-election battles to give the November 5." God intended for this elec-election battles to give the November 5." November 5." The White House, which had masterfully controlled the political news agenda, lost ally Republican areas, partic ularly the south and the Rocky Mountain states, the battle just as Mr Clinton launched his closing drive. The rush of disclosures about where Mr Clinton had threatned to raid the Republicans electoral college base.

lege majority might be in jeopardy. "It's just not hap-pening," a prominent Mid-west Republican said. The loss of several Mountain states could be more than offset by Mr Clinton winning

ceptable option for close to two-thirds of the people all along," one analyst said. "The more they've heard about the Democrats this week, the worse a Clinton vote has looked. So they've gone to the only alternatives."

'God intended for this election to be held October 29 not November 5', quipped

one Democrat as it became clear that Clinton's support was chipping away

foreign contributions to the Democratic campaign put Mr Clinton and Vice-President Al Gore on the defensive and western states President western states President George Bush won in 1992, and reopened questions about the administration's ethical stan-dards — an issue flogged even win Montana, Nevada and Colorado. Dole strate gists at the weekend noted the same trend in the Mid-west. without success by Mr Dole since early October. Democratic sources con-firmed the impact in two But checks in the building block states of Mr Clinton's ate majority of 53 to 47 in Jan- | over Mr Dole for months, was | areas: in "clean government" | presidential coalition - Cali-

If the shift has continued, | Florida and its 25 electoral gain more than 10 per cent. One White House strategist conceded: "It is coming off of votes. The president has made inroads in the Hispanic community and through the Medicare issue which affects Mr Clinton, who for four the huge retired population. The votes lost by Mr Clin-ton last week appeared to be going, not to Mr Dole, but to years was reminded that he won only a 43 per cent plurality against Mr Bush and Mr Perot. could find it hard to claim majority support - and the Reform Party's Ross Perot, or the Green Party can-didate, Ralph Nader. http://www.andle.com/party/andle in 1996. Some pollsters pro-

Mr Perot, languishing for weeks in single digits, may

"Dole has been an unac- jected Mr Clinton falling just | good as Republican chances short of 50 per cent, with Mr Dole about 11 points back, and Perot. Nader and the in Arkansas, Georgia and Louisiana. If the Senate ratio shifts much, it is likely to be minor parties drawing in the toward the Republicans. mid-teens

One pollster said: "I think in the House, where Demothe vote distribution is going crats need a net gain of 19 to look remarkably like it did seats for the Democrat Rich.

ard Gephardt to claim the speaker's gavel, the odds do not look favourable. Only one-That would be bad news for Democratic candidates strug-gling to regain the House and Senate majorities lost in 1994. third of freshman Republicans appear under serious threat. There are 10 districts In the battle for the Senate, where Democrats need a net where Democrats are fagain of three seats, their like-liest win is against the Repub-lican Larry Pressler in South Dakota. But that would be balanced by the even more likely Republican takeover in Alabama. voured, and another 28 where they may have a 50-50 chance. But Republicans are fa-voured to win in another 10 targeted Democratic districts. and have a 50-50 chance instructs, and have a 50-50 chance in 19. That might point to a five-seat net gain for Democrats. On the last few days' trends, it

In addition, each party can count eight states where it has a realistic possibility of would be remarkable for gaining a Senate seat. But the best of the Democratic prosthem to gain 19 seats.

Hugo Young, page 9; Notebook, page 11; Inside story, G2 page 4 pects — in New Hampshire and Oregon — do not look as



Bill's new campaign: for immortality

the only president who feels the need to dramatise his job description. We now know that for the

America. . ."

Maureen Dowd Built CLINTON is not the clock from bowing al-leys to diners, looking for even fewer people at stranger hours. He is wor-

when I sent our troops to Rwanda with the French to

stop the starvation of hundreds of thousands of people..." he told a crowd

in Oakland the other day. President George Bush shied away from the per-sonal pronoun, mocking it

as "the big I". Mr Dole avoids it by using the third person. But Mr Clinton so liberally uses "I" and

as a combination of Albert

A certain grandiosity creeps into his speeches at times. Just as Mr Clinton is "We now know how to Schweitzer, Bill Gates and "We now know how to you fear the president is

creeps into his speeches at Donald Trump. There are momenta when the most remark times. Just as Mr Clinton is "We now know how to you fear the president is the most remark the only president who still move drugs and mix drugs about to start laying on New York Times

social climbs and plays the | in a way that has more than | hands. After an El Paso Hollywood groupie, so he is | doubled the life expectancy | rally, he was so eager to get the only president who | for people with HIV and | close to the faithful that he

Clinton treats the rope line like a revival meeting:

"And then I met a young man who said he'd given up all hope, but he listened to

what I was saying and he be-lieved he could make some-

thing of himself again." Mr Clinton gathers im-pressive testimony in 10 minutes shaking hands: a professor who, thanks to a Bill Clinton grant, says he will cure Parkinson's dis-

ease; a man who, thanks to Bill Clinton's family-leave law, can adopt a baby with-

The oracles speak

IN AN on-the-spot survey of 12 top political commentators, 11 are of the opinion that Mr

Clinton will take the presi-dency, 10 believe Republicans will take the Senate, and eight

predict Republicans will take

the House of Representatives. Meanwhile Ralph Reed, leader of the Christian Co-

**Local landslide for Bob** 

Alabama

One town rallies round to ease the pain of defeat for a native son, writes Jonathan Freedland in Russell, Kansas

O DOUBT who has won the election in Russell, Kansas. It's Bob Dole by a land-slide. There's not a shop in Main Street without a "Dole For President" poster in the window, all of them urging on

their most famous native son. Today the Republican can-didate will return to Russell for the final act of the 1996 campaign: he will walk into the First Christian church at noon and cast his vote. He'll go for Bob Dole - like everyone else in town. "Bill who?" jokes Sterling

Smith, the local tyre dealer chugging back coffee and cig-areties at 6.30am with his chums at Meridy's Diner. As far as they are concerned, there is no competition. "He's one of our own." says

Mr Smith, adding that Mr Dole's honesty is reason

Bob tells you a piss-ant can pull a freight train, you better hitch it up, 'cause it's gonna happen." and the Russell wisdom said he would die within the year. But, in a gesture which has become Dole folklore, the Republican convention in San Russell is a speck of a town 5.000 souls and a few grain silos breaking the monotony of the flat Kansas plains. Just now it is lashed by storms. Still, the official mood is ophis medical treatment.

"Everyone was there for him and he's never forgotten timism. "Got It Licked, Bob Dole '96," assures the sign outside the local Super 8 Motel. The original Dolls for Dole — the cheerleading team it," his aunt, Gladys Friesen, said yesterday. She and the rest of Russell deny they will have to rally around again tomorrow, to put back together a defeated Mr Dole. that spiced up the first con-Ms Friesen says she is not gressional campaign 36 years

> 'If Bob tells you a piss-ant can pull a freight train, you better hitch it up'

even thinking her nephew

might lose. Russell knows a thing or two about defeat: it saw its land reduced to dust in the 1930s, and an oil boom vanish a few years ago. Through it all, it has maintained a stoic reserve and plain-spoken decency — at least that's how Mr Dole sees it, regarding Russell as a bastion of old-

When he came back in 1945

Republican convention in San townspeople put out cigar boxes and collected \$1,800 in Diego about an America of "tranquillity, faith and confinickels and dimes to pay for dence in action", it was Rus-

sell he had in mind. It has been the touchstone of his entire career: it was here that he was announced as Gerald Ford's running mate in 1976. and he declared his 1996 can didacy here, too. Both tunes he broke down in sobs he remembering how Russell had saved him.

But few expect Mr Dole to do what he did in 1945 and come home. "Oh no, why would he want to come back here - not that I'm putting down my little town, you understand," says Dorothy Nielsen, the motel-keeper. Mr Dole keeps a home here -awell-tended red-brick house, literally on the wrong side of the tracks - but that was always for symbolic and practical reasons while he represented Kansas in the Senate.

Russellites know the man they all call Bob now has a life elsewhere. His wife Elizabeth runs the Red Cross up in Washington. No. they don't expect him back for long. But if he needs them, they are ready to wrap him in their

ago — are rehearsing for tonight's 'victory party'. "See you in the White House," promises the window at Banker's, the clothing store

his right arm.

record for the half-mile.

where Mr Banker tailored Mr Dole's suits to conceal the second-world-war damage to Russell is the place that put Mr Dole back together. When he left for college he was a fit,

handsome young man with a muscular, 1921b physique. He was the lad behind the counter at Dawson's drug store, pouring sodas and voted him Ideal Boy in a local contest. He even set a Russell



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enough to vote for him: "If hobbled down Main Street, fashioned values and himself arms, as they always have.

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### Greasy polls shrink the gap

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Boole inching around the clock from bowling al-

even fewer people at stranger hours. He is wor-

ried about history, about

The president does not want to make history as the first Democrat since F. D. R. to win two terms,

only to disappear into the

second rank of forgettable presidents. So he travels the country on an absorb-ing odyssey of self-discov-

campaign," says Mr Dole to 12 to this point is gravy unless voting for them. How stupid supporters at a campaign stop you get your people to the do they think we are?" asks in Kentucky at 6am. "I polls." Mrs Gering, a voter from haven't stayed up around the clock since I fought the Nazis in World War II." A REUTER poll has Bob Dole a REOTER foil has bole only 3.5 percentage points be-hind Bill Clinton, and Ross Perot a whacking 36.5 points behind the president. Other Wielding another military metaphor, Ross Perot bought two hours of television and radio advertising on the eve of the campaign. "Saturation polls have Mr Dole trailing by 16 percentage points. "All across America polls are movbombing", he called it.

**Poll snapshots** 

ing our way," says Mr Dole. A New York Times/CBS poll shows Mr Clinton leading among every age group, region and gender and trailing only among Republicans, self-confessed "conservatives" and people on more than \$75,000 (£50,000) a year.

King of hearts PRESIDENT Clinton, the Empathiser-in-Chief, tells his subjects: "We have a decision

ery, puzzling over how he might transform himself from a virtuoso pol, the Tiger Woods of the rope line, to a virtuoso immediate

Wartime Doledrums

alition, prophesies: "On Elec-tion Day the religious conser-vatives will be the largest to make that goes way beyond the choice for president. It goes far out into the future and deep into the human single constituency in the electorate. Voting talk Meanwhile, the Democratic "THIS is another sign of the campaign manager warns his "SOMETIMES you feel like incredible momentum in this team: "Everything you do up strangling them more than

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stepped forward, inside the bottom rope. The Secret Service had to untangle his

legs, as though he were a calf caught in a fence. Clinton's aides say he is wistful as the race ends.

But has begun a new cam-paign for immortality — looking beyond the messy scandals that threaten to

taint his encyclopedia entry. At one rally, he said

that when he fought Republicans over the budget: "I thought of the Alamo."

He has also presented

himself as a young presi-dent who overreached and made mistakes but plans to

fix them, and he has won the love of the voters.

But the moist towelette of American politics needs to

soak up even the love of generations unborn. So he will seduce history. "If we do it right," he says of the next four years, "it will be

the most remarkable expe-rience in democracy ever".

A fellow voter in Arizona,

Larry Edwards, is more philo-sophical: "It's a question of who can hurt us the least. I

don't think Clinton's going to hurt us because he's got too many other things to worry about."

Complied by Gary Younge in Washington.

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# **BT: the new global force**

It has got to try: but the pitfalls are enormous

BT'S PROPOSED merger with the US | British Airways and British Steel that telecommunications group, MCI, is ab have used a strong (and, interestingly, solutely riddled with potential pitfalls nationalised) home base to convert into - financial, political, cultural and elec-tronic. But that's no reason not to had a strong domestic base through its tronic. But that's no reason not to welcome such a bold bid for a big stake in the exploding world of global com-munications. This is a war on several fronts in which timidity won't be the winner. The world's telephone, wireless and cable companies are battling it out to become the dominant conveyors of to become the dominant conveyors of information (whether in the form of voice, data or moving pictures) while the return on capital of the companies voice, data or moving pictures) while media giants like Disney, Viacom, Mi-crosoft and Rupert Murdoch's empire are themselves restructuring to become the dominant suppliers of entertain-ment and software. This is happening against a world-wide push — led by the US and the UK — to deregulate domen US and the UK - to deregulate domestic markets. In the background the Internet - the world-wide computer network — is growing strongly and becoming so versatile that it is no longer fanciful to think that it may one day become the main medium for television and (voice) telephone calls as well as computer-led communications.

One of the ironies of the information revolution is that while in the long-run it offers unprecedented empowerment of the individual, in the short run it is a battle between the national telecommunications giants for control of international traffic. In the immediate cartelisation of international tariffs — future this war will be dominated by particularly on the continent of Europe globally positioned "triad" players with strong bases in the US, European and Asian markets. If BT and MCI merge to form Concert they will be two thirds of fall and that taxes don't get conjured the way towards this ideal. What remains to be seen is whether such a havens, we must think how national company fades into second division regulators can be turned into interna-status(like British Leyland) or whether tional ones. If Cyberspace turns into a it develops into a Glaxo, the UK-owned pharmaceutical company, now the biggest in the world. BT comes from an tion revolution will have failed even interesting new genre of companies like before it has seriously got underway.

between the go-getting nouveau riche Americans and the ancien régime of BT executives who, though learning fast, were reared in a protected domestic market. BT has worked with MCI for the past three years since it purchased a 20 per cent stake in it - but this doesn't mean that the American culture won't emerge supreme in a decade or so if the merger is approved by the regula-tory authorities.

One likely winner from all this (apart from shareholders who have been looked after rather too comfortably by means of a merger bonus) is the consumer who faces falling prices as the — is shattered by the onward march of deregulation and globalisation. But if we are to ensure that prices really do away Murdoch-like into offshore tax virtual tax haven dominated by international monopolies then the informa-



## Letters to the Editor Pensions policy should be Wheen under the whip

(Swish of the big stick, October 31). However, having brought up two daughters (now 22 and 19) in a happy household (they say), I con-fess to having smacked them occasionally when other methods had failed or seemed inappropriate. This seems to be the norm for most parents. As I believe Wheen has chil-dren himself, I would be in-terested to know what disciplinary alternatives he employs. Also, does he have any suggestions for disciplin-ary alternatives to exclusion for disruptive children? Hazel Powell. Buxton Lane, Caterham, Surrey CR3.

RANCIS Wheen's discus-sion on corporal punishment was more patronising than most. If any teacher laid a hand on one of my children I would be furious, but I'm not about to accept his blur-ring of the distinction between child and adult. Wheen presents the argu-ment of the "great" Penelope

AGREE with everything beats a child, who is too small maladjusted boys. This was Francis Wheen says to defend himself, his action run on the principles of A S is called "discipline". One of the lessons that a

child learns very easily is that, if you have superior size, weight and weaponry, thorities from where we had been sent by the relevant Child Guidance Clinics. At both the clinic and the school I was regularly analysed by you can very quickly get your own way in a dispute. So he own way in a dispute. So he puts his teacher's methods into practice in the play-ground, and that is called "bullying". One study after another has shown that a very high proportion of those who commit crimes of vio-lance in later life ware them. child psychologists. I assure you that the process is far more effective than beating. Ralph Gee. 35 Mansfield Court, Mansfield Road Nottingham NG5 2BW.

lence in later life were them-selves subjected to violence at THE Secretary of State for Education is "in favour" of corporal punishment. As a recently retired head I would home or at school. John R Farley. 2 Woodland View. Crossland Road, What implement does she approve? A half-inch rigid cane, ¼-in flexible cane, plim-Sheffield S30 LAN.

ARLIER this century children learned, at home and at school, that anti-social behaviour was a punishable offence. They did not have to wait until they left school to find out that if they inflict physical pain and suffering the latter are men, will they on people, they themselves are not immune

est in the world?

Bradford Street,

Chester CH4

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teacher 'scruffs', November 4). You will find that most of

the finest swindlers and most incompetent managers in the City have plied their trade while immaculately or, at the

very least, smartly dressed

The above equation was prob

Barbara Chaplin.

T cannot be disputed that the rising number of retired and ageing citizens will put increasing demands on all the European economies (Europe heads for pensions crisis, November 1) but the method of financing these demands has more to do with winners run on the principles of A S Neill but the fees were paid by those local education au-

has more to do with winners and losers regarding the size of pension than with the total money available. The latter, regardless of its delivery route, will still be a charge on the future Gross Domestic

Product. To claim that the UK is bet-ter placed because of its funded occupational schemes, which merely moves the res-ponsibility from the state, is ponsibility from the state, is to throw a smoke screen over the debate. To deliver an av-erage annual pension of \$29,000 to the projected 12 mil-lion pensioners in 25 years' time would require each of them to accumulate assets of \$200,000 -- collectively equal to the total national output. This, implies, that average pensions will be much lower than \$3,000, whilst many will • Which part of the body is to be caned — the backside, the hand, the shoulders? than £9,000, whilst many will have no pension at all and

given early retirement

WHILE I am no supporter of EMU, the pensions-fi-nance problem raised by Frank Field is a complete red herring. It is based upon the false premise that money has some intrinsic value which can be "saved", for the benefit of the nation, whereas it is simply purchasing power, as the banks demonstrate by the

we can employ the energy and talents of the 18 million un-

employed in the EU countries to produce the goods they

themselves need, and also to

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catastrophe can be gauged by simply considering the latest request from the UN High Commissioner for Refugees. In one sense it is modest enough: it asks for the minimum that would be required to rescue hundreds of thousands of refugees from a desperate situation. Yet in the light of the current action in the Great Lakes region - and the lack of action in the United Nations or anywhere else - it may also be regarded as asking for the moon.

Perhaps half a million refugees in eastern Zaire, Rwandan Hutus who fied after the massacre of 1994 (whether for of effective intervention would be on a guilty or innocent reasons), are now heading further west into Zaire, pushed by the ethnic Tutsi rebels who are supported by the Rwandan army. The High Commissioner Sadako Ogata has called for a "return corridor" to lure the refugees not just back to the camps but across into Rwanda. She admits that convincing them to return will require enormous efforts, but says that the drift westwards will further destabilise Zaire. She is right on both counts.

Yesterday the Tutsi rebels declared a ceasefire to allow, so they said, the refugees to move home in safety. Even if this offer does not break down under Zairean counter-attack, this is the very move which the refugees have resisted making, under less threatening conditions, over the past two years. As many aid agencies now argue, the only safe route will be one where safety is as- UN intervenes in Europe or Asia - but sured by an intervening force. Enter leaves Africa to its misery.

#### THE HUGE dimensions of the Zairean | the French with tentative wider European support for the "restoration of security" to underpin a humanitarian operation in eastern Zaire. This proposal unfortunately evokes the French safe haven set up in Rwanda two years ago, widely seen as offering tacit support to the defeated Hutu government which had been responsible for the massacres. Any repeat intervention under the flag of one or a few nations risks being viewed with similar suspicion: by reinstating the Hutu camps it would have the effect of perpetuating

the original problem. The only chance much wider scale with strong guarantees for security, and substantial subsidies to persuade Rwanda to relocate the refugees free from fear of reprisal.

Enter the Security Council? Hardly on its performance so far. This is precisely the kind of issue which the Secretary-general should have defined, at least a week ago, as a 'threat to peace", requiring the Council to convene in emergency session until decisions were made. Instead there has been one desultory resolution calling for a ceasefire: the first call for a special sitting was only made yesterday by Germany. Waiting for today's US election is one reason why the Council has sat on its hands. There may only be a slim chance of getting action from the OAU summit in Nairobi. It is further diminished if the perception is that the

# The rogue fireworks that kill

Deregulation hasn't worked: we need stricter rules now

While the UN sits on its hands . .

Zaire needs effective intervention on a much wider scale.

EVEN BEFORE the real bonfire night | from a mortar. Mr Timcke is believed to begins, two people have already been killed. Both deaths raise serious questions. David Hattersley, a popular primary school headteacher in High Wycombe, was killed by an 81b firework exploding in his face raising the issue of whether such huge fireworks should be restricted to professional firework organisers. The second victim, Steve Timcke, was killed instantly in Kent when a 4lb firework from China exploded in his face raising questions over import controls. The firework. which contained no instruction in English and had no safety kite mark, was not supposed to be available to the general public but was obtained by Mr Timcke, a city trader and father of two. Local trading officers, who are trying to track the seller, describe the firework. the "Grand Celebration", as extremely dangerous. It should have been ignited by an electric charge and launched

have used a match.

One fault in current safety standards involves inappropriate classification of fireworks. Another is the vagueness of the rules controlling fireworks not meant for general sale. Safety campaigners point to a 90 per cent rise in serious firework injuries since 1991. Clearly the rise began before deregulation in 1993, but the relaxation of restrictions in that year has made it much worse. The biggest increase in injuries was in 1994 when casualties jumped by 50 per cent to 1,574, the highest for 20 years. The Health and Safety Executive can huff and puff about the new rules being just as stringent, but the figures speak for themselves. Even ministers, the most fervent prophets of deregulation, were already consulting whether new legislation was needed before the deaths happened. Stricter standards must be introduced.

and Annal and Annal A

Leach, who suggests that a big child hitting a small child in the playground grows up to be a father who bullies his children. What a lot of codswallop. Bernadette Whelan. Families for Freedom. 191 Highbury Quadrant, ondon N5

F an adult takes a stick to eat another adult of a similar size and weight, his action is called "assault". If an adult, who happens to be a teacher, takes a stick and

# Labour pains

KENNETH O Morgan's article (Jim nearly fixed it, Arena, November 4) should e compulsory reading for all those too young to have been around during the 1974-79 Wilson/Callaghan governments — and especially for those who are now Labour Party members.

Those governments (of which I was a member) un-doubtedly made mistakes. Morgan misses, for instance, the cruckal failure of the Callaghan cabinet to hold the in comes-policy line against the Ford car firm, a failure which had its repercussions all the way up to the Winter of Discontent. But his conclusion that it was the party and some of the unions that proved in-capable of reform or reason is a timely reminder of the cause of the wilderness years. A new Labour government need not apologise for its predecessors and might even learn a thing or two from

John Grant. Kingsdown, Deal, Kent CT14. But is this art?

THE term "Nazi" appears in the title and throughout the text of your piece about my play Art (A Nazi piece of work, October 29). The func-tion of words is not only to describe the world. Words name the world, but they shape it at the same time.

Diluting the substance of words, by thoughtless use, de-prives the world of its brightiess and adds to the universal confusion. Thus, the word "Nazi", nowadays adopted to fit any situation, is not only reduced to a synonym of in-famy or totalitarianism, but is stripped of any political and historical meaning. The greatest responsibility

for one whose craft is to weigh words is not to fake the scales like a crooked dealer. Yasmina Reza c/o Casarotto Ramsay Ltd. 60-66 Wardour Street, London WIV 4ND.

Has Francis Wheen considlowed when caning ered that there may be some Brian R Collingridge Little Orchard, Ford Road, connection between the fact Wiveliscombe, that some degree of corporal Somerset TA4 2NJ. punishment was adminis-

be allowed to cane girls?

welcome some explanation:

• Who may pumish: all teach-ers or only headteachers? If

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oll or flat of the hand?

tered in British schools and As an American, I could not comprehend your conthe fact that the murder rate in Britain was one of the low troversy over corporal punish-ment — until I visited some of your telephone booths. Mrs Shephard's proposal to permit caning is clearly part of a plan to expand sex education in

As a result of the interna-tional outbreak of singleyour schools. Gregory Palast. PO Box 179, Peconic, parent families caused by Hitler, from 1947 to 1953 I went to

a special boarding school for New York 11958, US.

retirement WHAT GOES WITH AWLTERY?

A dressing down for MPs A casually dressed patsell arms indiscriminately to Aent examiner (and prev-iously a casually dressed whomever has the cash? What sort of example do these teacher), I have always failed to see the link between wearpeople think they are setting? Alan Benfield. ing a suit and being "profes-sional" (MP aims to root out Nieuwe Parklaan 155, 2587 BS Den Haag,

> COMFORTING to know that the likes of JC of Nazareth wouldn't get anywhere near a religious-educ tion class, sowing the seeds of sedition for which he was so rightly given a mandatory life sentence on top of a spot of well-deserved corporal Michael Collie. 2 William Street Edinburgh EH3 7NH.

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Warning: gas supply out of control

WHEN British Gas was in contract with them to check ago telling them that the conwrote to British Gas a month ago telling them that the con-tract had ceased to exist. I my central-heating system annually and repair it within 24 hours. It cost £120 a year but asked them to reduce my quarterly bill by \$30. Fve had no reply. This year British Gas did The Government privatised

gas. It has a duty to see that the nation is properly pronot turn up as usual in July. It proved impossible to contact them by phone; they do not answer letters. Last month the tected from the cons Gas regulation should not just central heating broke down. be about prices, but about the We rang every 20 minutes both on the "contact" number wider need to ensure a viable gas supply system. and every other number on the gas bill. No one answered. Norman Westmore. 36 Vaughan Road,

We rang a Corgi engineer Thames Ditton. who came in a few hours and | Surrey KT7 OUF.

will live on means-tested benefits. Whereas our European partners will be endeavouring to honour their full pension commitments, the UK will only be obliged, under its present pension

support.

Since money is simply purchasing power, its value de-pends upon what is produced. The problem must therefore be capable of solution, alstructure, to provide poverty It is morally wrong for the debate on the provision of de-cent pensions for elderly though we may have to shed people always to be in terms of the burden they put on the some ancient preconceptions

first how this can be reduced. It is also strangely short-sighted, as most people hope to reach Terry Parson 48 Denton Road. Twickenham, Middlesex TW1 2HQ.

H J Crawley. 2 Orchard Close, Oxford Road, Abingdon, A dog fight RECENTLY, on a week's Retrip to England from Hong Keng, I watched David Frost interviewing Chris Pat-Oxon OX14 2EF.

WHEN a population ages then, by implication, the population of dependents under working age declines. Therefore, unfunded state pension schemes are more fi-reactically sound because an tan. The issue of passports for pets now seems far more pressing than the plight of those BNO passport-holders nancially sound because an increasing liability to pensioners can be off-set by a de-creasing liability for child alfare and education.

By contrast, funded pension schemes, such as have been actively promoted by our gov-ernment, cannot cope with an ageing population without withdrawing funds from financial markets, giving rise to extreme instability and collapse in those markets. The House of Commons Social Security Committee should have raised the alarm about

### A Country Diary

...... lights in homes across Black-more Vale, and on the same day the high tide combined with a sudden shift of wind direction in the Bristol channel to produce destructive seas at Minehead. Cars were thrown across the road and buildings flooded. Only a few days earlier we had been part of the utterly peaceful scene at Carhampton, a village just a mile or two from all that devastation. Carhampton Village Hall stands beside a small, sloping orchard - just a dozen established apple trees and a few young ones. The land belongs to the Crown Estates Commissioners. When the question of planning consent for building arose recently, the Village Hall committee, all apple lovers, negotiated amicably and effectively, and the or-chard is safe. Inside the Hall, this is what planting, grow-ing, eating and drinking ap-ples does for people and com-

## who, in a matter of months, will be handed over to and subject to the whims of China. The dialogue with Frost was dominated by the question of Chris Patten's pet dogs, Whisky and Soda, and

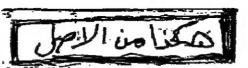
their right to instant abode on British shores. In the 1930s in a Shanghai park there was a warning sign: "No dogs or Chinamen here." The irony is that history is now treating dogs far better than Hong Kong's ethnic Chinese. Veronica Andrews. 11 Guildford Road

our pension schemes, rather | The Peak, Hong Kong.

\* SOMERSET: Last week, a the walls, were others with all hurricane blacked out the kinds of apple produce for kinds of apple produce for sale, alongside displays of an-tique cider-making imple-ments and, most skriking of all, the apples themselves, proud specimens of more than 20 varieties. Some, like the gigantic Bramleys, had names familiar from the supermarket, but Suntan, Winston, Court Pendu Plat and the brilliant vellow Greensleaves were, like many others, new to me. There were leaflets about the apple's value to health: "eating an apple 15 minutes before a meal can assist weight-loss as the cellulose in the fruit reduces hunger pangs. The atmosphere pervading all we had seen, especially the sense of good health, hospitality and humour, made the event a powerful recommen-dation of the English apple. If

past the cider bar, there was one row of tables down the munities, Common Ground middle (displaying prizewin-ning apple-cakes, churneys, apple desserts and decorated apples) and, ranged around performed a real service when it founded Apple Day in 1990.

JOHN VALLINS



worked well.

ably partly responsible for the fact that they got away with it for so long. In addi-tion, there seems to be a link implied between ethical behaviour and attention to dress. How can we square this with the quite remarkable ability of several of our noble

MPS (and a number of immac-ulately suited City gents) letters, and a teleph either to betray their wives or We may edit letters.

Netherlands.

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### Diary

# Dan Atkinson

ONY Blair's speeches, especially his ultra-orthodox economicpolicy pronouncements, end a winding route on their journey to super-respectability, according to a concerned Westminster source. Drafts stride out of the Leader's office; some head through the groves of think-tankery while one ends up on the desk of Howard Davies, deputy gover-nor of that bastion of communitarian values, the Bank of England. Here, the preacher-man's planned proclamations are doubtless assayed to ensure 25-carat soundness before being returned fit for delivery. Even Bryan Gould who, leaving the party early in 1994, claimed any future Labour PM would be too spineless to tell the Old Lady would be granted this sort of prior restraint.

EANWHILE, John Major's majority dropped briefly to Absolute Zero yesterday as the latest edition of The House, Westminster's par-ish mag, declared Sir Andrew Bowden, MP for marginal Brighton Kemp-town, to have shuffled off this mortal coll. With the Government's edge already shrunk to one by Barry Por-ter's death on Sunday (and effectively nil anyway, as a vacant Labour seat is wait-ing to be filled), Sir Andrew's demise would have spelt the M-word: minority. The good news is that, despite the obitnary-page headline "Sir Andrew Bowden MBE MP 1930-1996" and the accompanying photograph, Sir Andrew is, er . . . not dead. Indeed, he is fit enough to have penned an obituary for The House on the life of Lord Finsberg, formerly Hampstead MP Geoffrey Finsberg, who died in the early autumn. Or did he? The House, with its cavalier attitude to both the quick and the dead, rounds off the Finsberg obit, which runs beneath the Sir-Andrew-is-dead headline, with the by-line

"Lord Finsberg MBE is a Conservative peer".

**NOTHER case of mis**taken identity on Blackheath on Saturday night, when thousands athered for the annual **Greenwich and Lewisham** bonfire celebrations. On top of the blaze was tunesmith Andrew Lloyd Web-ber, complete with keyboard, but the huge effigy, it seems, bore such a strong resemblance to the

nan himself. T

Keeping the powers of darkness at bay

many months, Americans

high and low have articulated

Commentary Hugo

# Young

..................... ALF the American people will show

people will show today that they don't care who's elected president. This is a big and shocking statement, with many explanations. The turn-out figure, at its worst in the US, hoks like a metaphor of our they available for US, looks like a metaphor of our time that's applicable far beyond. It is tempting to draw a cynical moral. One can al-ready hear righteous satisfac Tready hear righteous of the US, looks like a metaphor of days, character mattered as much as belief, although they were days before character was on the button. In those ready hear righteous satisfac-tion at such evidence of the end of politics, and listen to it reverberating around the world. Looking at Dole and Clinton, or for that matter Major and Blair, I can be lured into feeling traces of it myself. It's the most insidious trick any democrat can fall for. As between Dole and Clin-

ton, the choice seems addressed to evils that cancel each other out. A corpse and a sleazeball, Simon Heffer writes. Certainly these are flawed characters whose the beginning of the explana-tion, however. Impotence also every weakness makes a joke of the Olympian grandeur, the

wearlsome millennial signifi-cance, of the post they're contributes. Presidents, never as executively powerful as the

the despair which they're now about to stay at home and the highest mark of their proshow. But the case for indiffer-ence has, I think, less to do fessional skill is to turn it to their advantage. If Clinton wins, he will probably still be with imperfect characters wins, ne will provaily sum to faced with a Congress con-trolled by the enemy. The people look as though they are than with the context in which they now work. The in-beritance of the last presidency of the 20th century is a meagre prize. Why should anyone care so much about a man who can do so little? History has deprived him to begin with, of the source of natural deference. The scale of the job has been mightily di-minished. In times of cold war, it mattered whose hand There were reds under the proclaims. bed, but no cameras. When Kennedy and Nixon fought it out in 1960, the high point of contested sleaze had been the donation of a vicuna coat to President Elsenhower's friend. But they were gladi-ators whom the people sincerely admired because they were going for a job on which the world depended. Respect and hope were at large because, without them, Arma-geddon beckoned. The end of deference is only

about to opt for the very grid-lock that makes the presi-dency so uninteresting to them. Clinton's acceptance speech at the Democratic con-vention was composed of promises he knew he wouldn't keep: sound-good aspirations, for whose failure the other side could be blamed. It's the perfect formula for a leader in search of excuses, as any leader must be, for his ability to change the world by only 10 per cent of what his rhetoric In any case, he's blocked by a larger obstacle. A combina-tion of markets and technologies ensures that, in time of peace, the democratic leader has never counted for less than now. He's the vapouring spectator at currency move-

Interactive telecommunications are going to change our everyday lives, argues

Bill O'Neill, and they'll be controlled worldwide by only three, maybe four, companies

ments he can't control, and owes the economic success he's had to the surfing skills of a bipartisan civil servant a ofpartisan civil servant called Alan Greenspan, chair-man of the Fed. Meanwhile, as political leaders wring their hands, Rupert Murdoch takes

offer is to keep the show on the road. Every time I go to America these days, I see his role confined to sustaining spending \$100m to occupy. For | British prime minister, have ever more frantically the illu-sion that someone is in conreceded further into the inertiel machine. They're doomed trol: which is true only at the edges, only at fine points of the compass, only through the desfening roar of static, as the great vessel plunges forward, or back, under its own steam. to live with irustration, and This is not the stuff of heroes. Dole or Clinton: neither will have heroism thrust upon him. And yet, one cannot say

doesn't matter which. Such indifferentism - the sense that

**Bill Clinton is no** giant. He is a negotiator, a tireless fixer, an intoxicated

campaigner

because politicians have no great task they alone can per-form, it barely matters which of them affect to perform it — brings other things in its wake. One of these, especially in the US, has been the growth of a hard-right, anti-politics, anti-state ideology far more dangerous than anything that emerged on the lunatic fringes of the cold war. The Christian Coalition, which cloaks this advantage of their terror of poisonous stuff in pious im-displeasing him, and prepares peratives, is the dynamic force to seize control of a power far in Dole's party, and would

mightler than any presiden-tial speech: the decision, with world-wide electronic effect, on whether anybody hears it. Wallowing in such impo-tence, but unable to admit it, who could but be diminished? The public may see it more clearly than he can. That is why they stay at home. The president is left with a humble task. The most he can truly begin eating America for breakfast if he won. The illu-sion that government can be made to wither has fewer dev-otees in Britain, though there are forces in the Conservative Party preparing for a long campaign to persuade the people of its truth. In the US, it is the other side of the coin of alienation. If America has vanquished her enemies, and task. The most he can truly her leaders are such pygmies, why should government itself not be demonised away? Bill Clinton is no giant. He takes a stance consistent with his times, which are times when Kennedy's appeals for

### heroic sacrifice in the name of the nation could not be uttered without inviting ridicule. He is a negotiator, a tire less fixer, an intoxicated campaigner. a president whose private credential is to be aware of the decidedly un-millennial constraints of his

George Monbiot job. Depending on the Con-

gress, the projects he eases forward can only be modest. There's more of Whitewater, the Arkansas inheritance, he's going to have to ride, and his wife may get tipped out of the boat. The biggest choice he'll have to make is whether, and how, to rectify the foreign-policy negligence of most of the first term. It is impossible to get excited by the prospect. He is, however, a bulwark against the fantasists. He does not believe America can sur-vive without a federal govern-ment He has some idea about ment. He has some idea about social fairness, some notion of the politician's duty to restrain the Darwinian forces which, in the luxury of interthe economy of scale. national peace, a lot of politi-cal money is prepared to ride behind. In policy, his pledges may be modest, his differences with Dole opaque. But he keeps the powers of darkness at bay, a role only made more necessary by the chilling fact that half the people are content to sleep, and a quarter to approve, while the danger advances.

T LAST a superstore is giving people what they want. Tesco has started selling organic fruit and vegetables for the same price as its conventional lines: for the first time in decades consumers of onions and avocados need know no fear. This brave need know no fear. This brave move is costing the company a great deal of money — in other shops organic vegeta-bles sell for up to twice as much as poisoned produce — but Tesco hopes that its sub-sidy will pay off. Demand, it says, has been stifled by high prices, as producers have not been able to take advantage of the economy of scale.

The company's decision to bring organic food within ordinary people's reach is com-mendable. But it may be disappointed if it thinks this will stimulate organic farming. For Tesco's analysis is flawed. It is not demand that has failed, but supply. Organic box schemes (deliveries of organic fruit and vegetables from local farms) are over-subscribed wherever they operate. Wal-trose complains that it is struggling to find produce of a high enough standard, as there are simply not enough organic farmers to choose from A Mori poll commis-sioned by the Soil Association shows that a clear majority of consumers would choose or-ganic food if they could. Reasons for the demand are hardly mysterious. Every month wirele wore feed her

month reveals new food horrors, and the responses of both government and farmers' organisations are less than reassuring. When people cleared the shelves of cut-price beef, commentators lamented their lack of discrimination; in truth, many punters were ahead of the pundits.

industries, seems somehow to have eluded the good folk at the Ministry for Amalgamat-ing Fact and Fiction. With neither stick nor carrot in evidence, there is simply no incentive for conversion, as a result of which only 800 farmers in Britain have taken the plunge. Tesco, of course, can't do much about all this, and is condemned, for now, simply to address one market distortion with another. But making better food available, however landable, solves only a frac-tion of the problems inflicted

by our food industry. Supermarkets have a num ber of unfortunate habits. They customarily order far more food than they need, knock down the price, then turn away the surplus pro-duce on the filmslest of pretexts. Their demands for per-fectly spherical apples and identical carrots mean that vast quantities are dumped. Their centralised distribution networks lead to the most extraordinary ergonomics. Let tuces are trucked from the Loa Valley to Herefordshire, while others find their way from Herefordshire to Basingstoke. Fish is brought in at Aber-deen, trucked down to Cornwall for smoking, then hauled back up through the country

for distribution. It's not hard to see why the supermarket chains are among the most vociferous members of the British Road Federation. We need a wholly new food

economy: equitable, account-able and efficient. This means closer links between produc-ers and consumers, so that people know where their vege-tables are coming from. It means the promotion of crops in season, rather than the cel-ebration of proleptic chime-ras. It means attending to the environmental and social impacts of every stage of production, distribution and disposal

WOULD love to be per suaded that the super-stores are capable of this, but at the moment I simply can't see it. Organic producers are just as vulnerable to their cruel vicissitudes as conven tional farmers. Lorries truck-ing organic produce from Land's End to John O'Groats Nearly all our food should carry a government health and back again are just as polluting as lorries laden with conventionally toxic food. Positive as its initiative is. Tesco remains part of the problem not part of the solutio

While the superstores jostle for our atte



**Masters of the universe** ownership of the electronic

highways — superhighways and towpaths — down which all business and personal traffic will be conveyed. For the moment, much that is written about the Internet is hype, and the Internet may fail way of life, it is interactivity. We are seeing the first fortions. to live up to expectations. But it is not the Internet that is the

We are seeing the first fruits of a new media age; from radio for organic food. While taxand newspapers through telepayers contributed £3 billion on a es to inte activity and individual alli-ances. The Internet may well be a significant part of that change, and the powerful telecommunications companies will have their share of that ple, but interactivity will rely as much on local networks with relatively simple connections. In some cases, these con-nections will be little different from the ones that have already brought interactive supermarket shopping trials to the wealthier residents of Ealing in west London and films-on-demand via old cop per telephone cables to people living around BT's research centre in Suffolk. Gates may not be able to compete at this level, but be certainly seems to be interested in achieving as much independence from the telecommunications companies as he can, perhaps even by going as far as building his own satellite network to support his service on the Internet. It's certainly an expensive solu-tion, but that is the least of his concerns. For a software devel-oper, it also represents a huge lesp into a new business terri-tory. But if someone as shrewd and clever as Bill Gates is looking for a way round the bouncers at the ga join the party, then it looks as though it's likely to be a pretty impressive affair - and the telecommunications compa-

**COMMENT AND ANALYSIS 9** 

**Organic food** 

pollutes the

atmosphere



Blair, that the Tory press is reportedly anxious for pics of the incineration. Total coincidence, claims Emergency Exit Arts, the special-ist outfit behind the guy. Really? One of the major sponsors of the Blackheath Bonfire is an investment house called GLC Ltd; as Blair/Lloyd Webber was consumed by flames, a mes-sage beamed out declaring the GLC to be "still working for the arts in London".

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confiscated, and nobody

ing of the Local Govern-ment and Rating Bill will

eniently rate-exempt. The

porters include "Dead-Eye" Major, "Kid" Gummer and

NEER not at the peace appeal from King Ki-geli V, exiled mon-

arch of Rwands. At least the Rwandan royals stood

aside in 1961 when a refer-

wish to operate out of Falls

Church, Virginia, that is his

business. But if he hopes to douse the flames of conflict,

he may be advised against

issuing his pleas through The Monarchist League,

whose chancellor, Count Nikolai Tolstoy, is no

stranger to inflammatory

statements. With the Count

on board His Majesty's fire engine, there is a real dan-

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ury, And BHI GB founder of the American company that now dominates the market in software for running most of the personal computers in the world, wants to ensure that he and his company, Microsoft, win their share of the action. While those celebrations

were in full swing on Sunday Gates was hosting a private dinner for a few journalists at his hotel in London, where he is staying before flying on to the Netherlands today. At one shoulder was his most power ful enecutive in Europe, the tall, affable Frenchman Berpowder for a moment, life is not all tears for nard Vergnes, and at the other was the head of Microsoft UX, members of the gun-toting fraternity. Many of their weapons are about to be David Svendsen. Bill Emmoti the Economist's editor, greeted the trio and introduced a couple of the maga likes them, but a cut of £5 million in government bunce may make their day. Tomorrow the second readzine's most techno-literate staff. There was an immediate meeting of minds, recalls one. "We talked satellites and he's just like some of my geek friends... only they don't have \$19 billion." A geek with include a proposal to scrap the business-rate liability on agricultural land let out a huge fortune; it's enough to make those who hate computfor hunting, shooting and fishing and re-label such ers cry buckets. property as farmland, con-

Gates is excited by satellites, and rich enough to get very excited about them. He knows at WOLK. what it means to corner a what it means to corner a market and, like most busi-ness people, he is not necessar-ily satisified with cornering puter that runs Microsoft pust one. With ownership of the software that runs most many products to choose from. personal computers under his But he can dictate the Net's

belt, Gates is now focusing his | development in a similar fashattention on the Internet, the global telecommunications network that promises to transform completely the way we run our lives, at home and the state internet, the com-munication links between homes and telephone ex-changes, between towns and changes, between towns and cities and, most importantly, Gates now virtually dictates which computers we buy, be-

between countries and continents. For the moment, these links are largely controlled by the

and a network of receiving dishes on the ground would give Gates the independence he charishes.

By early in the next century, by some estimates, there will be only three telecommunications companies — perhaps four, if Gates gets his satellites up and running. They will be enormously powerful, and

world's telecommunications eager to corner and safeguard impressive affair — an telecommunications of their share of the market, satellites orbiting the Earth Their power will rest on their nies will be running it

which are supposed to big new idea, stakeholding, "guarantee competitive was borrowed from John Kay, the head of Oxford's Many in academia would new business school.

add that even the best man-agement theory is blind-ingly obvious. Many theo-If you dig through the watfle of management theory, you discover that a fair chunk of it does work. ries look like applied Industry leaders such as Motorola, Merck and 3M common sense ("the cus-tomer is king"); many catch take management theory seriously. Even in the public sector, where it has been applied with stunning in-epiness, the net effect has usually (just) been beneficial. Nobody at New Labour talks about reversing the NHS reforms.

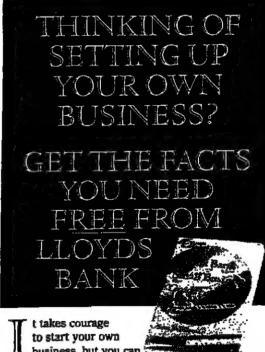
The best way to look at management theory is as a young discipline, in which the canonical texts and defining methodologies are still being developed. This teenage period is likely to go on for some time - not least because of its enormous success. But it has a point nonetheless. Oxford deserves a business school.

The writers work for the education reforms introduced by this government, Economist. They are the authors from performance-related funding to league tables, of The Witch Doctors: What The Management Gurus Are Saying, Why it Matters And How To Make Sense Of It (Heinemann) spring from management theory. Tony Blair's only

ast year to the destruction of the environment and the poi-soning of our produce, Maff handed out just £270,000 for spreading through our cities organic production. Organic growers receive subsidies of £70 per hectare.

and villages. Organic box schemes, farm shops, food cooperatives and fair-trade outdeclining to £25 after five years, and nothing after that. lets remain all but invisible to most people in Britain, but are growing, in some places, with astonishing speed. They have started treating the consumer Barley barons polluting the groundwater with nitrates and the rivers with pesticides as the consumer deserves to get a steady "arable area payment" of £269 a hectare. The "polluter pays" princibe treated — as an intelligent. responsive, social being,

ple, often cited by government rather than another transfer as the way to clean up dirty | able good.



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John Micklethwait and Adrian Wooldridge urge the university today to

A CADEMICS are no study of management and business. Left-wing dons and tweedy. paternalists gift horse in the mouth. So alike have complained that Wafic Said, the Middle-East-Mr Said is trying to set up a ern financier who wants to give £20 million to Oxford academy of thieves. A medi-University to found a management school, might well have expected that he im not to allow a business would soon be decked out in school to defile Oxford's purple and reincarnated as Dr Said. Yet today, when Dr Said. Yet today, when Oxford University holds a vote about whether to ac-cept his money, the result is likely to be extremely tight. In part this reflects suspl-clons about where Mr Said's money to a new comcions about where Mr Said's currently spending \$5m a passion for permanent money comes from; in part, the fact that the proposed puter system), the crum-new building will replace bling ivory towers still con-much-loved playing fields. Yet it also reveals the near universal odium that "nor-mal" ecademics fiel for the right to be suspicious about



Why Oxford should take the money this new discipline, wrong to be dismissive. One reason for the opposi-tion is academic jealousy. vote for Wafic Said's management school What underfunded Russianliterature professor, toiling away in an ancient library for an audience of a dozen

eval-history don has even implored Mr Said as a Mussacred turf. Oxford is not alone. No

"human-resources manage-ment expert"? But manage-ment theory is also a decid-edly mixed bag. Step into any bookshop, and along-side heavyweight texts such as Michael Porter's Compet-itive Advantage Of Nations you will find works such as Make It So: Leadership Les-eons From Star Trek: The sons From Star Trek: The Next Generation. Worse management theorists have

a passion for permanent revolution that would have

#### phrases ("total quality man-agement") seem trite. But this overstates the case. and a bus conductor's sal-Toyota and Honda deary, could fail to be annoyed stroyed much of the West's car industry precisely be-cause the Japanese *did* take by the corporate-jet-and-speaking-tour lifestyle of a human-resources managetotal quality management seriously. Indeed, ignoring manage-

ment theory is even worse than embracing it completely. That is partly because it is so influential. Never having heard of "business process re-engi-neering" probably suited engineered out of their jobs in a recent exercise. In Oxford's case, many of the

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# **Brutal excesses of an egomaniac**

AN-Bedel Bokassa, | Pres, who has died of a eart attack at the age of 75, was one of the most notorious figures of modern African history. He took over the Central African Republic in 1966, de-clared himself emperor in 1977, and managed to hold on to the title until French troops deposed him in 1979. In the course of his rise to be what was, in effect, Africa's last emperor, he was responsible for much skulduggery and brutality. He drew world opprobrium

for ordering the killing of schoolchildren who had been jailed for protesting at the compulsory wearing of school uniforms made in factories that he owned. But the decl-sion of the French President, Valery Giscard D'Estaing, to intervene and remove him from power was a complex one, in which Bokassa's megalomaniacal atrocities were only part of the picture.

Jean-Bedel Bokassa was born in Bobangui in the Lobaye district of what was then Oubangui-Chari, one of the poorest French colonies in Africa, where the timber and rubber concessionary companies held brutal sway. When he was only six years old, his father, a village chief, was killed by French troops; his mother died of grief a week later, leaving 12 children. He was brought up under the supervision of his grandfather. Mbalanga, who sent him to mission school in Mbaiki. The name Bedel was that of the author of the French grammar used by the priests, while Bokassa meant "butcher" in the Sango

language. Bokassa was not a bright pupil. He enlisted in the French colonial army in May 1939 at the age of 18, shortly before the outbreak of the second world war. In 1940. when the Free French revolt began in Central Africa, he was in the force which captured Brazzaville, the capital of the Equatorial African Federation (AEF). He remained with the Free French forces (then mostly African), becoming a master-sergeant and taking part in General Le-Clerc's march through the Sahara in 1943, and the landings in Provence the next year.

date Izamo) were put to death. After the war he remained with the cruelty that always

Pres, specialists in decora-tions. One of those he gave himself in 1970 was that of concentrated mostly on Operation Bokassa, was a mish-mash of notions of agricul-Grand Master of Honour of tural self-help, including a the International Brotherreturn to something not unhood of Knights of Stamplike forced labour (a conspic-Collecting. By the time be left the French army in 1961, the ter-ritory of Oubangui-Chari had uous, and much hated, feature of French colonial rule). And, of course, it was the vehicle for his own ego-trip. been independent for a year as the Central African Repubtook over. In 1974, Bokassa lic, and the president, David Dacko, called on Bokassa (his made himself life-president and, in 1975, marshal, in the cousin) to help form the in-fant army. He rose to become manner of Napoleon, who was again the model when he prohead of Dacko's military cabi-net and, in 1964, chief of the claimed himself emperor in

December 1977. His period of general staff. But, by July power was one of the strang-1965, he had been sent in est episodes of the post-inde-pendence history of Africa, a semi-disgrace to Paris. It is said that the coup of St inister aberration that was Sylvestre (December 31, 1965) accompanied by much mealy-mouthed hypocrisy in the was engineered by the French because of Dacko's incompe-West: the coronation was

tent and increasingly unpopular rule, but was not intended to bring Bokassa to power, rather, he moved in on some body else's action, although he later claimed he had done

it to foil a pro-Chinese coup of influence. Although Bo-(there had been growing conkassa had not been a French cern in Paris at the influence of the People's Republic in Bangui). But then, Bokassa choice, De Gaulle treated him with amused contempt rather than hostility; Bokassa, in propounded all manner of myths about his coup, claim-ing, for instance, that Dacko had been preparing to arrest turn, regarded the general as a father-figure, and, weeping bitterly, cried "Papa" at De Gaulle's graveside in 1970. The story of France and Boand execute him, when, in fact, Dacko had been anxious kassa is, in part, one of

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event, Giscard still played down the issue. What seemed to change his mind was the incident in which his adviser on African affairs, Réné Jour niac, was struck by Bokass with his silver-topped cane (an experience earlier undergone by a British journalist, Michael Goldsmith). Killing Megalomania increasingly children was one thing; striking the representative of the French president quite another

While Bokassa was on a visit to Libya, the French moved paratroops into Bangui on September 30, 1979, in Operation Barracuda. The hapless David Dacko was flown in, in the tail of one of the aircraft. There was no resis tance, but also no jubilation at such a neo-colonial humilia tion, and the country has ap attended by an array of interpeared to be remotely connational representatives. The cynicism of the French trolled from Paris ever since perhaps to ensure the continua towards Bokassa haunts this whole period and illuminates ance of the French bases there. Earlier this year, French troops were deployed France's post-colonial sphere to prop up the president, al-though this time he was, at least, a democratically elected one.

> Boka sa went into exile in Cote D'Ivoire, but he proved an increasingly embarrassing and indiscreet guest, so he fled to France to the chateau of Hardricourt, one of his properties. After a few years, e ran out of funds, became increasingly homesick, and eventually walked on to a Bangui-bound plane in Brussels in October 1986.

He was immediately ar rested and put on trial for murder and embezzlement, where he had fondly thought the waiting populace would receive him with jubilation. (His eyes were said to still light up when he saw the TV cameras in the courtroom.) The trial was something of a showpiece, where all the old allegations of brutality, sadism and even cannibalism resurfaced Bokassa was found guilty of murder and sentenced to death by firing squad. This penalty. however, was commuted to forced labour for life, and in 1993 he was released to return to live in the village, with plenty of liquor (Beaujolais in

Giscard D'Estaing, with the afternoons, brandy in the whom Bokassa went on hunting trips, called "Cher He still enjoyed occasional parent", and hosted official publicity - when his views were sought in the 1996 muvisits. Even a Franco-African summit was held in Bangui a tiny he managed, characteris-

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Jean-Bedel Bokassa, dictator,

ish and eccentric clown. He is said to have fathered at least 55 children.

Kaye Whiteman



tor, and, in 1950, he was sent to Indo-China with the Saion-Cholon colonial battalion. He stayed for two and a half years, during which time he gained a number of medals thus beginning a career as an inveterate collector of gongs of all sorts (though most of those with which he covered his uniform at public appearances were conferred by himself). He was said later to have been one of the best clients of the Maison Arthuis oppression. His programme, Bertrand in St Germain des- If that is what it can be called,

rior. Indeed, many observers ower. It was an arrogant and confirmed later that he was foolish misjudgment by the French president, above all willing to strike, torture and since he accepted presents of diamonds from Bokassa. even kill with his own hands. a trait increasingly noted as power deranged him. These later became the cen Thus it was that, in 1966 Bokassa inherited a country tre of political controversy in France and probably helped Giscard to lose the 1961 presialready on the brink of bank ruptcy; he left it in a similar dential election.)

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On eagle's wings . . . Bokassa's lavish coronation in 1977 reputedly swallowed a quarter of his country's annual earnings

#### **Death Notices** strongly influenced by the Communist Party and the man. One postman was bitten by the Queen's corgi when de-livering a letter to Balmoral Peter Doig Birthdays Robert Housen shop stewards' movement. Mac) of Deskloywood, Northumberland: Las serior administrative molical officer, Isanostik, Olici peaciolitiv al home on 2nd November 1926 aged 52 yrs. Billowed has-bend of Gretts and adored tather, grand-tather and triand Requiem Maga 41 St Oswekis Church, Bellingham on Friday 8th November 41 12:00 noon, follower by inte-ment al Bellingham centerly. R.L.P. family Rowers only, bisi il destred please constitu-los the Charter St Luke's, Cort, November 41, Bellingham Centers's Project, 8 Sto-regeneration and the State State and State State Internet State State State State State State Internet State State State State State State State Internet State State State State State State State Internet State State State State State State State State Internet State St Throughout this period, it was represented by right-wingers George Thomson and Peter Doig. This became in-Bryan Adams, singer, 37; John Berger, art critic, 70; Art Garfunkel, singer and composer, 55; Gen Sir John Hackett, soldier, scholar and Say 'no' to dogs and drink Castle. At his third attempt, in 1975, Doig succeeded with his guard dogs bill, requiring the owners of dangerous dogs to creasingly uncomfortable at activist level, even if the elec-DETER Dotg, who has jute and journalism — had a second ballot produced a one-died at the age of 85, rep- long reputation for its eclectic vote victory for Doig who, al post warning notices. By then, he was becoming inauthor, 86; Marianne Hes-ter, sociologist, 41; Caroline vote victory for Doig who, al-though a poor speaker, had torate remained affectionate resented Dundee West towards "oor Peter" Jackson, Conservative MEP, 50; Dr Paul Knapman, coroapproach to parliamentary creasingly disengaged from representation. It had rejected Winston Churchill, Peter Doig ran only one sus-tained parliamentary camthe Labour Party. He sur-vived until the 1979 election, in the Commons for 16 years the backing of the jute work ner, 52; Nicholas Maw, com-poser, 61; Steve Miller, rock until 1979. He was one of the ers' union. Thus was his rAVLOR, October 31st, peacetuily in neasu-al aged 47 years. Rotand Maiscolm Bekoved son ol Roland and LRy, dear yrother of Valerte, Denke, Marie and very hear Mend to mem, Service will Make place it Chappel Allerton Mechadist Church, Leeda on Thursday 7th November al 2.00pm, prior to private cremation. No Howers by request, Donalions If destred to Briogeside Cell Lane, Leeds LS1, inquiries al: 0113-Marssin against the scourge of danger-ous dogs: 100 postmen a year were bitten in Dundee alone, hast pro-hangers in the Parliaaccepted the Bloomsbury set career born. joining the SDP when the op-Doig's maiden speech set the tone for his parliamenmusician, 53; John Morris QC, Labour MP, 65; Tatum O'Neal, actress, 33; Lester Piggott, jockey, 61; Roy Rog-ers, actor, 84; Anthony Rolfe mentary Labour Party and ended an ephemeral career by figure of John Strachey and also returned Neddy Scrim-Portunity arose. While his fellow Dundee departing for the Social geour, the only British MP Democrats. ever to be elected on a prohi-MP ended up among the great tary offerings. The glittering he said. career of his predecessor was disposed of thus: "I am very pleased to be here today but I and the good as Lord Thom-son of Monifieth, Doig bowed Births The diminutive Doig was a bitionist ticket. ANSARD records him thus: "The Post Office sends out a warning let-ter to the owner of the dog baker, the son of a miner from Lochgelly in Fife; the out of active politics and en-joyed a long and happy retire-ment in the Fife village of Wormit, close to the River Doig maintained at least Johnson, tenor, 56; Sam She-phard, actor, 53; Paul SMITH, On October 7th In Bangkok, to Mar-ane and Peter s con Lucas Alexander one part of that colourful tra-dition, in that he was a teetoregret the cause of the by VALENTINE - On 3 at October, in Abing-don, sitter anany and years of stinese, JANES MCSNCUR, dear husband of Honores and father of Susan, Joint and Chine; beloved Grandad, Ali brends are invitat to a service in 38 Nichotas Church, Abingdon, at 113.0em on Tuessky 12th November, and thin's memory we would like to help At-heims's sufferens and their carers, so no flowers picture, a collection will be basen after the service and donations may be sent to Franklin Solicitors, 16 Oct Street, Abingdon, Oxfordshire, 0214 SAM. Simon, songwriter, producer, Simon, songwriter, producer, 54; Elke Sommer, actress, 55; Lord Stallard, former Labour minister, 75; Sir Wil-liam Stubbs, chief executive, Further Education Funding Council 52; Nod Tempko edi tion which brought me here. The late John Strachey was family moved to Dundee so that none of the four sons taller. His selection was unex Engagements the longest-serving member Dundee ever had. He was saying that in future the mail will not be delivered if he does not keep his dog under control. But who do you sup-Tay. He is survived by his wife, Emily, and two sons. would go down the pits when, pected. At first, the selection Inevitably, they left school at 14. After the RAF, he was elected to Dundee town counconference produced a dead heat with the Gaitskellite aca-ES. Engagement act Brian, younger son a harsom of Queen's Part fore, younger daughter mes and the late Dr. Vivil mes and the late Dr. Vivil very highly respected not An A Mis H Part demic, Robert MacLaughlin, who was Doig's main adver-sary. Then, one of MacLaug-lin's supporters had to leave only there but throughout the world." And that was it. elected to Dundee town coun-cil in 1953 before being pro-Brian Wilson pose delivers that letter? (Laughter). Hon Members Council, 59; Ned Temko, edi-tor, Jewish Chronicle, 44; Sir pelled into the Commons Dundee of the 1960s and 1970s bolstered its reputation Peter Muir Doig. politician, born through a byelection in 1963. may laugh but it is not a laughing matter for the post-Anthony Tennant, chair-man, Christies, 66. To place your announcement telephone 9171 713 4587. Fax 8171 713 4129. September 27, 1911; died Octo-Dundee - the city of jam, I the meeting, whereupon the as a militant industrial city, ber 31, 1996 "Target prices? How that works? 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FIRST RUNNER-UP: I gaze at the brilliant full moon. The ntal dangers? New church. And a recent study in Discover Magazine: HOW WILL THE EXTINCTION OF ALL LIFE AS WE KNOW IT Scientist. the US found that people I believe in Santa Claus. Thirty years of research shows that churchgoers have same one, I think to myself, at whose religious faith gave the farmers of Indiana are And the only thing that I which Socrates, Aristotle, and Plato gazed. Suddenly, 1 God and me them strength were three AFFECT THE WAY WE **Veep speak** taken care of." V-P Dan Quayle on being asked to decould think is that I believe in George Bush." V-P Dan times more likely to be alive six months after open-heart VIEW THE COSMOS? RECOMMENDATIONS: For imagine they appear beside me. 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I tell Plato that I live recent declarations of strong RAPTURE, DOWNLOAD here." Vice-President (V-P) A collection of the great and lucid words of former Amerihappens to cheese when you in the country that has come SOFTWARE PATCH RAP1777 EXE. Dan Quayle, Hawaii, Septemreligious beliefs. Good Francisco earthquake of the closest to Utopia, and I Housekeeping. leave it out CREATIVE RECIPE can Vice President Dan Quayle. Collected at I believe you should live show him a copy of the consti-"What a terrible thing to have lost one's mind. Or not How the media might report "Certainly, I know what to each day as if it is your last, which is why I don't have any tution. I tell Aristotle that we UNDER OF 102.5 the end of the world. From the Last words do, and when I am vice-presihttp://www.merton.ox.ac.ukhave found many more than to have a mind at all. How true that is." V-P Dan Quayle winning friends whilst ifun/misc/dan—quayle.html Thanks to Gordon Joly. 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we run the risk of failure." Vgoing to put it in a safe and P Dan Quayle, to the Phoenix keep it there!" Does that answer your question?" V-P Dan Quayle when asked Republican Forum, March



emerged from a recent article in the journal of the Marine Biological Association of the United Kingdom about the

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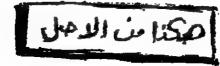
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# 'Sex bribe for taxman led to love'

#### Financial staff

FORMER prostitute yesterday told the Old Bailey how sex at 2200-e-night with tax inves-tigator Michael Allcock de-veloped into a romance. "We were in love, plan-ning a future together." said 30-year-old Michelle Corrigan. She had not asked Mr Allcock what he did for a living "because we were too busy having a good time. I could see he was a wealthy man, taking me to nice places and buy-

ing me lovely things." The couple regularly booked into room 69 of a West End hotel and holi-

dayed in Spain, she said. The prosecution alleges that Mr Allcock's first sex session with Miss Corrigan was paid for by Iraqi-born oil consultant Hisham Alwan, who later paid eight hotel bills for the couple. In return, the prosecution says. Mr Alwan did not have to pay a £120,000 tax bill. Mr Alwan was one of sev-

eral wealthy businessmen under investigation who Sallivan while modelling

bribed Mr Allcock with lux-ury holidays, cash and other gifts in return for favours, the prosecution al-leges. Mr Allcock, from Col-chester, Essex, denies 13 charges of corruption from 1987 to 1982. Miss Corrigan said. Mr Alwan's number. Miss Corrigan said. Sullivan," she said. He had asked if she was interested in escort work and gave her Mr Alwan's number. Miss Corrigan said. They talked for half an they continued to meet for six or seven months, with Mr Allcock paying her Miss Corrigan said she was having sex with Mr Al-wan for about \$200 a time after being given his number by a man in Essex she named as the publisher, David Sullivan. She met Mr "he owed a favour". Mr Al-wan had introduced her to Mr Allcock, and gave her

'In love' ... Michelle Corrigan arrives at the Old Bailey to tell of her relationship with taxman Michael Allcock

was £20, sometimes it was £200, sometimes mora." Their relationship gradually changed, she said. Mr Allcock told her he wanted to see her more often and an envelope. "I had a quick | stop seeing other people. "I

was falling in love with | and make-up from Harvey him," she said. They went on holiday to Marbella and Majorca. The prosecution alleges that the villas they stayed in were supplied by wealthy indi-viduals whom Mr Allcock was investigating, although the taxman paid the fares.

mouth, paid off her credit card bill for £1,000 and bought her a £675 watch and designer clothes, shoes

The PCC will concentrate

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telephone market, which MCI will target heavily. Extensive hearings and

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Nichols and Guori, she said. She agreed with Mr All-cock's counsel, Anthony Arlidge QC, that it was "a bit like Pretty Woman

Hisham Alwan, 56, from Knightsbridge, London, de-nies three charges of corruption. A third man, David Shamoon, 66, from West Kensington, London, denies a single allegation of corruption. The trial con-tinues today.



first test of US

# drop Sky pilot

Murdoch may

Edited by Alex Brummer

Notebook

Seculation that MCI will cut its stake in American Sky Broadcasting as a result of its merger with British Telecom sheds light on recent events within Rupert Murdoch's Mr Murdoch's Mr Murdoch sits on the board of MCI — which owns ahares in his group — and will have been aware of talks with BT and the potential repercussions repercussions.

This increasingly looks like the reason for News Corpora-tion's decision to mortgage its 40 per cent shareholding in British Sky Broadcasting in

order to raise \$1 billion through the issue of convert-ible preference shares. If MCI contributes less to ASB - for it and News Corp jointly bid £420 million last January then the Murdoch group will

have to fund more. But the manoeuvre may have increased tensions be-tween Mr Murdoch and his right-hand man in London, Sam Chisholm, chief executive of BSkyB. Relations were already under stress because Mr Murdoch wanted to merg

BSkyB's news service with that of his American broadaster, Fox, in order to challenge Ted Turner's CNN service. In addition, Mr Chisholm is

said to be less than happy to have Mr Murdoch's daughter, Elizabeth, sitting at his shoulder in a senior position at BSkyB as part of the accelerated grooming of the Murdoch offspring to take over

the role it played in orches. But after representations But after representations and US West. Formerly one of Mr Murdoch's closest allies, Mr Chis-

But Mr Chisholm now runs a Company whose market cap-italisation is larger than that of Murdoch's News Corpora-tion. Andrew Nelli's recent autobiography claimed that Murdoch sacked him because the Autorialian-boxy measure the Australian born magnate was jealous of Mr Neill's fame. BSkyB's share price would certainly suffer if Mr Chisholm were to depart. But it is a risk Murdoch might be prepared to run to curtail the ambitions of a pretender.

Dollar flip

HE Clinton presidency has brought an end to two long-running G7 complaints about the way in which the US runs its economy. During Mr Clinton's ten-ure at the White House the budget deficit was cut in half and the cheap dollar policy reversed.

So the impact of today's elections on these two issues will be of concern to G7 finance ministers and central bankers.

On the budget deficit, the best result for the markets would be the expected Clinton victory in the presidential race and Republican control over both houses of Congress. Despite the general Republi-can sympathies of Wall Street and Robert Dole's lifelong credentials as a budget-cutter, the latter's decision to buy into Reaganite supply-side tax cuts as a means of wooing the electorate has been a worry throughout the campaign.

Calculations by Harvard economist Benjamin Friedman show that if the Dole-Kemp ticket were to triumph then the cost to the US exchequer in terms of revenues would be \$548 billion in the years 1997-2002. All pretence of a balanced budget by 2002, would have to be abandoned. However, a Clinton victory would mean that the tax cuts proposed will be relatively modest and generally paid

for, and that the Gingrichcontrolled House of Repre would remain holm is also thought to be

They continued to meet for six or seven months, with Mr Allcock paying her each time: "Sometimes it

Mr Allcock peid £1,500 rent on her flat in Ports-

After several dates for which she was paid every time, Mr Alwan asked her to meet a friend to whom

**ROW** has erupted between the two banks working for British Telecom on its MCI merger. NM Rothschild is accusing Wall Street's Morgan Stanley of "seizing the limelight" over the City's biggest and most prestigious deal, which will generate up to £150 mil-lion for an army of financial Lavisers.

Patrick Donovan and Micholas Bannister

The £12 billion takeover of the American group, MCI, which yesterday boosted BT shares by 22½p to 373½p, was masterminded by NM Rothschild, BT's merchant bank.

However, US-based Morgan Stanley was signed up as a comanager to the deal because of its specialist knowledge and influence in the Ameri-

But NM Rothschild is angered by what it sees as at-tempts by Morgan Stanley to take the public credit for a deal in which it played a subsidiary role.

Apparently hoping to seize the public relations initiative over the "show-place" merger, which offers huge prestige for the key partici-pants, Morgan Stanley was



But after representations from NM Rothschild, the Wall Street bank was yesterday publicly declining to comment on its contribution towards the success of the merger.

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age".

ownership law Meanwhile, the ground-breaking deal looks as if it will be a bonanza for City advisers. NM Rothschild is ex-**Nicholas Bannister** pected to earn between £10 million and £15 million, and Mark Tren with around a third payable

BRITISH Telecom's at-tempt to create a tele-communications pow-erhouse by taking over MCI up front and the rest due when the deal is complete Wall Street-based Lazard Freres, which advised MCI, is expected to charge rather more because of the higher will prove the first big test of new American legisla-tion governing foreign and the ownership of US telecoms regulatory fees commanded by US inrestment banks.

But sources expect the bulk of the fees to be genercompanies. The Telecommonications Act, passed in February, has lifted the stake a forated by legal advisers with yet further funds being eign company can buy from 20 per cent to 25 per cent and changed the conditions under which the Federal Communications Commisspent on the marketing and management consultancy firms expected to be signed up to help form the rebranded company. While BT's shares soared

sion, the US regulator, can municacredit-rating groups warned that they might cut the The new test that the FCC | Commis group's top-notch AAA debt rating - not least because of

the huge level of investment to which the group is now Moody's Investor Service said that Concert, the new the future of telecommunicaname for the merged compa-nies, would have a stronger competitive position but "sig-nificantly higher debt levertions in the UK". It called on BT to give assurances that its members' jobs would not be

eopardised by the deal. The union has already been Standard & Poor's said: in touch with its US counter "Though Concert's financial profile on a pro-forma basis is expected to remain strong part to discuss joint initia-Geoff Hoon, Labour's tech-

nology spokesman, said he had been assured by BT that the takeover of MCI would following the merger, the group will face significant capital investment needs and a higher industry risk than not affect the group's invest-BT is currently exposed to." The Communications ment in the UK.

Labour is counting on BT Workers Union described the MCI takeover as a bold and innovative move for BT but said it was a "crossroads for | way.

the existence of competitor THE BIG DEAL environment in the UK." James Quello, a commissioner on the Fed-eral Com-

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British Telecom share price, pence.

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AT&T, the US group most at risk from a BT-MCI com-bination, said: "The regula-

tors will have to look at



prices, terms and condi-tions of interconnection, access to the British mar-

has to apply is whether sion, said: "This is a land-"effective competition op-mark deal that will require loo per cent foreign owner-portunities" exist in the some very careful thinking. ship if the deal "is in the home market of the bidder. I am open-minded about it, public's best interests".

of MCI

Stage 3

approval of a major Euro-pean presence in America will put pressure on Euro-pean regulators to reciprocate. US West, a regional tale-phone firm that has been competing in the UK since 1991, said: "The UK market is probably the most liberal in the world and Oftel, the UK regulator, has been ex-tremely halpful." It pointed out that it had heen allowed to offer cable, telephone and wireless ser-New price cap to July 1997

A A A telephone and wireless service in Britain sooner than in the US, where deregula-tion had proceeded more slowly. "These mergers are the wave of the future and will drive competition." a US West official said. "As for the UK, we haven't had too many problems competing there."

The merger is expected to face less opposition from the regulatory authorities in Europe and the UK.

keen to expand the opera-tional base of BSkyB -- a pu-But AT&T has cited certain on reciprocity, while the limits on its ability to com-Department of Justice will pete in the UK. AT&T's tative bid for Pearson was an chairman, Robert Allen, example - beyond TV and its fect within the US, includ-ing the impact on the local telephone market, which ing local services in Britrole as a cash and program-ming cow for the rest of News ain, AT&T is not allowed to handle any international television business. traffic originating there.

vertible share issue was un-fortunate for Mr Chisholm bepected in the first round of AT&T also says it operates regulatory reviews to de in the UK strictly on a resale basis and is not per-mitted to own facilities. Mr Allen argues that BT,

which enjoys a 90 per cent market share in the UK. "operates in a market that is not open and competitive by the standards by which we judge competition in the US".

American regulators are ikely to view the BT-MCI deal as enhancing rather than hindering competi-tion. The mergar could ac-celerate the opening of markets outside the US as approval of a major Euro-

Corporation's global satellite Market sources say the con-

cause a large slug of his remuneration package is linked to the BSkyB share price, which has come off its peak as a result of the Mur-doch fund-raising venture.

Offending trusted execu-tives is nothing new for Mr Murdoch. He apparently thought nothing of ousting such notables as Kelvin Mac-Kenzie, Gus Fischer and

Andrew Neill But pushing out Mr Chisholm could have wider implications. He has been involved in the negotiations to secure film, football and other sports rights which have been at the heart of BSkyB's success. Described by one analyst as "a one-man negotiating machine". Mr Chisholm is also seen as cru-

cial to the company's pay-per-view discussions with BT and the launch of its 150-channel digital TV offering.

mined to reinforce the most durable aspect of its contract with America - the budget reduction plan. The dollar issue is more tricky. The pressure which

has turned the dollar around since April 1995 was entirely international. Since the G7 determined that the dollar was too cheap, it has climbed 34 per cent against the Japa nese ven and some 10 per cent. against the German mark. Now Clinton administration officials chant the mantra that a strong dollar is good for the American public and will

mean stronger real incomes. But, with the election out of the way, will the Clinton team feel it must pander to its G7 allies any longer? As European growth picks up, there is reason to believe that the US currency will start weaken-ing again. Similarly, if the Japanese have begun to put their economic act together again, there will be rising fears for the US trade balance with the Pacific and jobs and growth in America.

The devaluationists, led by Fred Bergsten of the Institute of International Economics, could be back in the ascen-

# No heroics for revenue cheats

Dan Atkinson NE-FIFTH of the Ital-ian GDP is hidden in the black economy.

The US Treasury's tax take is riding light to the tune of billions of dollars.

And in Britain? Well, there was the south-coast retirement home that ran a minor

diddle involving condoms. Oh yes, and the car-dealer who tried to claim his frog-suit

and flippers counted as "industrial overalls". There are just two words to describe the tax dodges detailed in the "compliance" section of the Inland Revenue annual report, published yes-terday — Small Time. Britain's decidedly non-he-

grabbing machine can be quantified by the fact that counter-evasion and counteravoidance activities by the Revenue in 1995/96 netted a paltry £1.6 billion, barely enough money to keep HMG in business for 48 hours. And there is just one word

for most of the tax dodges identified: Stupid.

Take the retirement home. Revenue steuths didn't have to be Sherlock Holmes to sus pect the purchasing records showing receipts for condoms and tampons, products not in great demand among the elderly. The receipts, it emerged, had been filched from empty shopping trolleys. And the frog-suit and flippers? "[The] dealer tried to

claim that he wore them when washing cars."

#### TOURIST RATES - BANK SELLS

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# Invesco takes AIM for £1bn to create new group

announced vesterday it is to pay \$1.6 billion (£1 billion) for AIM Management Group, a rapidly growing US mutual fund manager.

The deal, which is subject years. The deal, which is subject years. Charles Brady, chairman of Invesco, and chief are universitive. Lion mutual fund holders, will create a new group named Amyesco, with combined as-sets under management of Siso billion \$150 billion.

NVESCO, the independent fund management group, announced yesterday it is o pay \$1.6 billion (£1 billion) offers exciting prospects for future growth."

The newly formed company will be 45 per cent-owned by AIM shareholders, who receive \$1.1 billion in Invesco shares and \$500 million in essary scale "for success as a cash.

tive of AIM, described the combination as "truly com-pelling". He becomes vicechairman of the new

company. Both organisations stressed that there were no plans for job losses or office closures.

Amvesco, which plans to take over invesco's listing on the London Stock Exchange, will have a combined workforce of 2,600 based at 20 sites around

the world. invesco, with \$91 billion | scandal.

Charles Bauer, the 77-year-old chairman and chief execu-market capitalisation of funds have done particularly £632 million, has more than well in recent months, pick-70 per cent of its business in the US institutional markets, ing up many investors who deserted Deutsche Morgan but has struggled to tap into Grenfell after the antics of the fast-growing retail mutual Peter Young were uncovered. fund business, which has been stoked by the demand for pensions In the UK, Invesco recently started to woo retail investors

again, following a six-figure fine from Imro, the regulator of money managers, partly one. connected to the Maxwell Shares in Invesco remained

unchanged at 237.5p.



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The Guardian Tuesday November 5 1996

# Halifax forecasts **7pc house** price rise

#### Larry Etliot omice Edito

OUSE PRICES in the UK are set to rise by 7 per cent this year after showing their biggest monthly increase for

ety said today. With demand for homes surging, the Halifax said the 1.6 per cent jump in average prices last month had prompted a second upward revision this year in its fore-

it to upgrade its end-year fore

ares out yesterday indicate that the mini-boom is also starting to feed down to the hard-pressed construction in-dustry. Data from the Depart-ment of the Environment showed that housing starts in the third quarter of 1996 were

13 per cent up on the three months to June and 16 per cent higher than in the Julyto-September period of 1995. Angela Knight, Economic

Secretary to the Treasury, said: "This is a sharp increase in housing starts. The building bricks of recovery which have long since been there in other parts of the economy are now in house building.

Ministers remain hopeful that the recovery in the hous-ing market — which is eating away at the problem of negative equity — will boost sup-port for the Government in he six months until the likely date of the election. According to the Halifax, prices are now 7.1 per cent today.

Richard Miles

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**Friends Provident has been** 

the subject of intense specula-tion for several months.

Many life industry analysts

have tipped it as a take-over target or expected it to follow

Norwich Union's example by

announcing plans to

higher than a year ago, com-pared with the 5.2 per cent reported for September.

Prices are set to rise on an annual basis for the first time since 1989, when the market was weakening in response to 15 per cent base rates.

The Halifax said it could identify no clear factor for last month's sharp rise in prices and warned that the pattern was unlikely to be repeated over the next two to three months.

"House price inflation is likely to end the year in excess of our forecast of 5 per cent. probably around 7 per cent. Confidence in the hous-

ing market is continuing to improve in line with the recent increases in housing transactions," it said.

transactions. It said. The average price paid for a home in October was £65,609. more than £4,000 up on a year ago, but prices are still lan-guishing well below their peak in the mid-1960s. First-time buyers are returning to the market with

returning to the market, with prices in this sector rising by .1 per cent last month. The average price paid by first-time buyers is now £47.963 compared to £76.680 for previ-

ket analyst with City firm UBS, said the Halifax could still be under-estimating house price inflation, which he expects to be 10 per cent next year. He added that the market was not being driven up by a shortage of supply as some estate agents insist but by excess demand.

The booming conditions in the housing market are being replicated in the commercial sector, with surveyors at their busiest for more than two years, according to the latest quarterly report by the

#### coat's property portfolio, amounted to little more the company which would need to be closed off premamarket in London's City and West End — where down on the side of a closturely and at a loss. Greythan a closing-down sale ing-down sale." and was flawed in its logic. Greycoat's property portfo-lio is concentrated — was Active Value - whose coat said. Apart from the fact that such a sale would be con-ducted at "knock down" Peter Thornton. Greyprevious campaigns have targeted companies such as set to continue improving for at least two years, highcoat's chief executive, said the cost of repaying the company's debts early and Scholl, Liberty and Signet

plemented," he said.

would be at least £10 mil-

In addition, the property

revival in the commercial | agreements it had entered |

lighting the fact that it was immediately hit back, acnot a time to sell cusing Greycoat of offering

Defence base ... burning the night oil at Greycoat's headquarters on London's Thames Embankment

"jam tomorrow". Brian | Securities, said the management team had per-formed very poorly since Myerson, manager of Active Value and until formed very poorly since being rescued by UK Active March a non-executive director of Greycoat, said the property company had "yet almost three years ago. He went on: "This man again offered more hollow agement team . . . has failed

promises". Mr Myerson, who comto give clear and coherent reasons why the sale of all pared the company with its assets and the return of rival property groups such as British Land and Land proceeds to shareholders is

Airlines plan court challenge on new noise limits

# Keith Harper Transport Editor

HE Government is fac-ing a judicial challenge from the airline industry over its plans to introduce stricter noise limits to protect the environment at Heathrow, Gatwick and Stansted.

Property

firm hits

back at

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WAR of words broke

out yesterday between Greycoat, the embat-

tled property company, and Active Value, the predatory

fund manager which is try-ing to force the group's break-up.

in its first communica-tion to shareholders since

Active Value requisitioned an extraordinary general

meeting for next week. Greycoat attacked the fund

manager's proposals as "ill-conceived" and urged

Greycoat has also reported a 123 per cent in-

crease in half-year pre-tax profits to £3.8 million. The shares closed down 1p at

Greycoat said Active Val-

ue's resolution. which calls

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The limits. due to take effect from January 1, will impose stricter controls on both day and night take-offs in a move ministers thought set Britain a November 1

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pursued by the International Air Transport Association (lata), whose general secre-tary, Pierre Jeanniot, told The Guardian yesterday: "The new regulations are far too tough. Heathrow and the other airports already comply with international standards. The British Government is

being unreasonable. Mr Jeanniot said lata had to £1,000 a flight. ould be generally welcomed. | deadline for negotiations, in |

take action through the Government had consulted on courts. "That deadline has the matter, there had been "a now passed, so we will be wide divergence of opinion seeking a judicial review to between the airlines, the airprevent the changes being imports and local authorities. The present limits at Heath-British Airways said last night that, while it backed the row have applied since 1959. Mr Jeanniot told Iata's Government's proposals and annual meeting in Geneva the improvement in noise vesterday that world airlines monitors, it doubted if the new limits were achievable. had made record profits of £3.35 billion, but that continu-All aircraft are now subject to ing uncertainty in the Middle fines for excessive noise of up East and the Gulf could continue to force up fuel prices

He added: "We are deliv-

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gets in September had put up the price of fuel from 65 cents

(40p) to 77 cents a gallon. "If pressing a firing button can dramatically increase airlines' costs, it can also point up the fragility of their hard-won profitability," he said. Iata, which represents 254

airlines, believes the industry may be reaching a point of diminishing returns, unable to reduce costs much further. Commenting on the sudden rush of new alliances, of Lord Goschen, the aviation and costs. The firing of 27 which BA's proposed link next six years.

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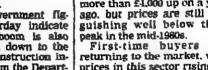
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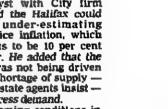
Eastern carrier, has placed a £1.25 billion order for 16 A330-300 aircraft from Airbus Industrie, the European consor tium of which British Aerospace is a member. They will be delivered over the two and a half years in Octo-ber, the Halifax building socicasts for the market.

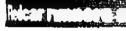
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# Kwik Save will shut up to 100 stores

SHARES in Kwik Save fell to a Kwik Save nine-year low yesterday following reports that the company is to take an axe to its 970-strong stores chain. Thousands of jobs are at risk from the restructuring at the discount food company, best remembered for offering cans of baked beans for 3p each. Up to 100 stores are expected o be closed at a cost of £100 million following a review of the business carried out by the consultants Arthur Andersen. Kwik Save is also 300 said to be planning to enter the lucrative own-label market. The company declined to

comment ahead of its results

on Thursday, when the City expects profits to fail 31 per cent to in the first six months and warned of further pressure in the

In the first six months and warned of the the pressure in the second half. The group's shares closed down 17p at 302p. The company, which began a review of operations five months ago, has been squeezed between aggressive foreign-owned cost-cutters like Netto and Aldi, and price campaigns by market leaders Tesco, Sainsbury, Asda and Safeway. A spokesman for Usdaw, the union representing 9,000 of the 15,000 employees, said: "We have great concern over reports that as many as 100 stores could be closed." - Tony May

### Rank offloads coach firm

RANK, the leisure group, is about to sell its Shearings coach boliday business to a management team for a sum believed to be 580 million. Rank said yesterday that it was in exclusive negotia-tions with the 14-strong team. Ied by former Rank director Angus

Crichton-Miller and backed by NatWest Ventures. The management, which is contributing more than £1 million of its own money as part of the deal, outbid five rivals, believed to include Barr & Wallace Arnoid, the Yorkshire-based coach operator. John Slatcher, Shearings' managing director, said the com-pany would be floated within five years. — Ian King

## **Biotech news falls flat**

SHARES of British Biotech, Britain's biggest biotechnology com pany, slid 19p to 210p yesterday, despite upbeat news from the company about Marimastat, its anti-cancer drug. Announcing Marimastat's latest Phase II trial results, British Biotech said at an industry conference in Vienna that the drug was effective in reducing the rate of increase in cancer antigens.

The company said Marimastat was undergoing crucial Phase III trials, although results are not expected until 1996. City analysts warned that Phase III tests would be considerably more rigorous than Phase II. — Ion King

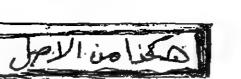
## Asbestos lifeline for T&N

THE T&N car components group was thrown a lifeline yesterday When the US Supreme Court agreed to review a large asbestos settlement. The company, which used to be Britsin's biggest asbestos manufacturer, had feared that its provision against asbestosis claims would have to double. But the US court's decision to review the settlement means it can maintain its provision at £50 million.

The news helped to offset a warning yesterday from T&N that conditions in its auto parts markets were "patchy". - Tony May

## Northern Electric bid bonus

FOUR directors of regional electricity company Northern Electric will share profits of £268.796 from their share options if the The four also hold shares worth nore than £1 million at the offer price of £6.30 for each ordinary share and £1.03 for each preference share. — *Chris Borrie* 



# raises £215m

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emutalise. But Michael Doerr, chief executive, said yesterday that and the resulting increase in the issue of £215 million new our solvency ratios will give debt stock proved mutuals could still raise money on the market, and hinted that the us even more flexibility in the future to grow both organi-cally and by acquisition," he said. company was looking at mak-

ing an acquisition of its own. Earlier this year, Friends Provident was favourite to take over CINman, the coal Mr Doerr said the new stock, which takes the compa-ny's working capital to \$2 billion, would be held in reserve until a suitable oppor-tunity for expansion came its way. "We are raising further capital now because, with in-terest rates at low levels, it is en attractive time to do so stock, which takes the compa industry's £15 billion pension fund, before being ploped at fund, before being ploped at the post by blue chip invest-ment bank Goldman Sachs. With £17 billion of funds under management, Friends Devident is a buffue mutual

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**BAT** poised to increase stake in troubled ITC

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BAT Industries, the tobacco and financial services combine, is likely to use the crisis at ITC, its troubled Indian subsidiary, to take a greater stake in the company, ITC, which is india's big-gest tobacco company but which also has substantial hotel and company the

hotel and commodity inter-ests, is embroiled in a foreignexchange scandal that saw two of its former chairmen arrested last week,

BAT has not concealed its desire to raise its shareholding in ITC, where it has a 31.7 per cent stake, and last year forced the early exit of former chairman Krishan Lal Chugh - one of those arrested after a boardroom struggie. Last night, spokesman Michael Prideaux said it was "plausible" BAT could raise its stake in ITC. but that the company would not take a decision until it had spoken to ellow shareholders in India. Mr Prideaux, who insisted BAT was not involved in any

company was meeting ITC's institutional investors today

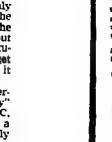
He said the greatest prior-ity, as an ITC shareholder, was ensuring that the com-pany continued to trade in the face of all the allegations and "management paralysis" it faced.

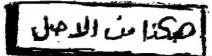
Mr Prideaux added: "Taking control of ITC has never been on our agenda - only Chugh said that because he wanted to wrap himself in the flag. Our stake might rise, but we must talk to the institu-tions, as when we tried to get things done unilaterally it

didn't work at all." City analysts said yester-day BAT was "highly likely" to increase its stake in TTC, which currently enjoys a 70 per cent share of the highly lucrative and fast-growing Indian tobacco market.

"Around 900 billion roll-up cigarettes are smoked every year in India, against just 90 billion manufactured cigarettes, so, as smokers 'trade up', there is potentially huge growth," an analyst said. way with the allegations being faced by ITC, said the BAT shares closed 41ap lower at 415 - p.

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Catch me if you can ... Tony McCoy sets a hot pace on Beau Babillard on his way to winning yesterday's Jolly Tanners at Staplefield Chase at Plumpton Coulton can be the Travado party pooper

#### Ken Oliver

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LIVER SHER-WOOD'S horses are in tremendous form and the Lambourn trainer has a fine chance of landing a treble today with Coulton and Dark Nightingale at Exeter and Fairies Farewell at Warwick.

The appearance of Coulton in the William Hill Haldon Gold Challenge Cup can spoil the party for Nicky Hender-son's Travado, bidding to win this valuable handicap chase for the fourth year running.

Coulton also comes to hand early and was winning at the She has been raised 71b in Last season, at the Sussex first time of asking for the the William Hill Index Mares track, Minster's Madam third consecutive season Only Handicap Hurdle, but scored by 25 lengths and was

Coulton should make it an in-Yesterday's rain threatened Plumpton but the course passed an inspection and

triguing contest. However, Coulton (2.15) loves to dic-tate the pace and he will take some pegging back. Dark Nightingale (3.45) also boasts a recent win at Wincanton where she won on a tight rein, beating Peter

Monamy three lengths.

when defeating the smart Gales Cavalier at Wincanton nine days ago. After that victory Sher-wood said: "When Coulton is on song it takes an excep-tional horse to beat him." Travado may not be excep-tional but he is very good and the 10lb he receives from Coulton should make it an in-Vesterday's zain freestened wood said: "Last year I thought she would win a should not prevent her inde all to win by a distance from Rachael's Owen in the Balcombe Selling Hurdle. Neville, who now has a full icence and trains a string of the 10lb he receives from Coulton should make it an in-Vesterday's zain freestened wood said: "Last year I thought she would win a should not prevent her inde all to win by a distance from Rachael's Owen in the Balcombe Selling Hurdle. Neville, who now has a full icence and trains a string of the the edge. Coulton should make it an inwould win a handicap after her display here, but it seems she is not quite good enough for that." Surprisingly, there while many made heavy weather of the testing going, Tom Dascombe was in fine was no bid for the mare at the auction.

form, scoring on Minster's Madam and Sailep. He now needs 16 more winners before After Bayerd had battled through the mud to land the opening Stanmer Maiden Hurdle, Charlie Egerton, the losing his right to claim 3lb. five-year-old's trainer, said that Mysilv's target this sea-son would be the Stayers'

the Champion Hurdle and needs a trip. The mare also has not had enough experi-Dato Star was yesterday confirmed a starter for Saturday's Tote Credit November Handicap at Doncaster. Last year he finished second to ence for the fences at Cheltenham at this stage - so it is the Stayers' for her." Twenty horses, headed by David Elsworth-trained Snow Princess and is 12-1 with Ladbrokes to go one

Muse, have stood their better. ground for Saturday's Tote Kutta heads the betting at Silver Trophy at Chepstow. Coral's and the Tote have 5-1, but the best backed horse yesterday was the Cambridgeinstalled Castle Sweep favourshire winner Clifton Fox, ite for the extended two and a whose odds were clipped to half mile event. David Nichol- 8-1 from 12-1.

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# Swaledale cyclist is banned for ephedrine

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Jeannie Longo has lowered her 5km world record a week after improving the one-hour mark. The 38-year-old French world road champion covered the 3.1 miles in 6min 5.839sec (31mph) in Grenoble.

# Somerset opt for Reeve

SOMERSET will today confirm the appointment of Dermot Reeve on a three-year contract as director of cricket in succession to Bob Cottam, writes David Hopps. As county coach, Reeve will be assisted by Colin Wells, who will take charge of the second XI after his release by Derbyshire. Brian Lara and his West Indies team-mates were unstaged in

his release by Derbysnire. Brian Lara and his West Indies team-mates were upstaged in their 50-over pipe-opener at Lilar Hill by Brendon Julian, who blossomed as an all-rounder in his county summer with Surrey, and were beaten by three wickets with eight overs to space by a Board Chairman's XI containing Michael Holding, Dennis Lillee and Jeff Thomson

Board Chairman's XI containing Michael Holding, Dennis Lines and Jeff Thomson. Julian smashed six sixes and seven fours in an unbeaten 96 from only 52 balls, adding 148 for the seventh wicket in 15 overs with the Worcestershire captain Tom Moody, to overhaul the tourists' 256 for nine in which Lara made a fluent 66.

## **Teenager** sets NBA record

THE LA Lakers guard Kobe Bryant became, at 18, the youngest THE LA Lakers guard Kobe Bryant became, at 18, the youngest player to appear in a National Basketball Association game as the home side won 91–85 against the Minnesota Timberwolves, the first time in 10 seasons that the Lakers have opened with succes-sive wins. Shaquille O'Neel had 35 points and 19 rebounds; Bryant, who played for six minutes, missed his only shot. The Bud League's Newcastle Engles have signed a 22-year-old American guard, Ralph Blalock, who spent three years with Towson State in Baltimore. He replaces Juice Joseph, who has joined Crystal Palace. Sky is to follow Channel 4's lead by showing NBA games, starting today with Phoenix Suns v Lakers.

# Montgomerie on the move

THE European No. 1 Colin Montgomerie and saven other golfers embark today on a Far East odyssey in which they will play 18 holes in each of four Asian capitals over six days in pursuit of a £60,000 first prize.

The Scot tees off in the new Johnnie Walker Super Tour event In Taipei alongside the world No. 3 Ernie Els, the European No. 2 Ian Woosnam, Fiji's Vijay Singh and four leading Aslans in Taiwan's Lin Keng-chi, Korea's Park Nam-sin, the Philippines' Felix Casas and Thailand's Chawalit Plaphol. They are being ferried around in a Malaysian sultan's jet, with Seoul next stop before moving on to play in Manila and then Bangkok on Sunday. Montgomerie, out of sorts with his game recently, said he was "happy to be busy".

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| 501 20000 DOUBLE BLUK (24) (D) M Johnston 7-9-10 K Shed (7) 25   | 7 St2133- SLINGSBY (176) N Gaseline 5-11-0 A Thornton  | BLOCKOW CARL JP H Prov 10 <sup>-7</sup> DELATE A Provide 10 <sup>-7</sup> DELATE ACT C Burnellys     DELATE ACT C Burnellys     DELATE ACT C Burnell 10 <sup>-7</sup> DELAT |
| 602 60100 PERIOD LARA (20) P Harris 4-8-8  | 8 GW/PS- STEAMCE WAYS (423) H Manners 5-11-0   | Butting: 7-4 Stone Island, 3-1 Bryanaldin Squitra, 9-2 Home Capitan', 8-1 Drymatic Act, 8-1 Blowarn Dearlin,<br>12-1 Flash in The Park, Paulton, Straphone, 12-1 Flash in The Park, Paulton,  |
| 504 S0233 BAJAK ROBE (12) (C) (D) M Blanshard 4-8-5 J Gaine 24<br>505 21220 MR MERCHAR (17) (D) B Peling 5-8-5 T Sprale 19   | 9 manages  | 2.15 WELLAN HELL MALDON GOLD CHALLENGE CUP HANDICAP CHASE (Grain 2) 570 Bm  |
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# Dalglish **keeps Ibrox** in suspense

#### Patrick Glenn

LTER SMITH, the Rangers man-ager, yesterday confirmed that Kenny Dalelish has been offered the post of directing the Ibrox Park club's proposed global-scouting system.

It is clear, however, that the enigmatic former Liverpool and Blackburn Rovers man-ager is in no burry to accept. David Murray, the Rangers chairman. Is still awaiting an

"An offer was put to Kenny before our match against Ajax last week," said Smith, "but we have not yet had his decision. We hope to have a meeting with him shortly and we will let you know as soon as we hear." It is understood that it was

Smith's idea to try to hire Dalglish as the Scottish champions seek to restructure their scouting system. It will has been appointed Dumbar-be a comprehensive overhaul ton's manager in succession and is to include an overseas to Jim Fallon who resigned operation.

Rangers feel that Dalglish's own intelligence network he is believed to have a comprehensive knowledge of the English and European games - could be used to their

advantage. There has been widespread dissatisfaction about the standard of recent players only one without a home win have imported at

considerable cost — even Brian Laudrup and Paul Gascolgne, successful at home, have failed in Europe — and a feeling that they have missed the boat in some instances. These days a big club can entice a future name from abroad by asking him to sign a promissory note, pledging his transfer once he becomes available under the Bosman ruling. It is understood that

Patrick Kluivert, the Ajax striker, completed such an agreen ent with Milan 18 months ago. Rangers believe that Dalg-

lish can carry out that role although they, like Celtic. have yet to come up with a method of convincing over-seas names that Scottish foot-ball is the place to be. Despite the millions spent by the pair of them, all the evidence suggests that the very best have by-passed Glasgow.

The former Scotland Inter-national striker Ian Wallace at the weekend after a 5-0 de

feat at Livingston. Wallace, one of the game's early \$1 million players after leaving Coventry City for Nottingham Forest, has held managerial posts in Austra-lia. He will keen to improve on a record that sees the on a record that sees the Second Division club as the

Over the top . . . Andrei Kanchelskis, Everton's flying wing, takes Coventry's Richard Shaw in his stride at Goodison Park last night

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# Houchen sacked by Hartlepool

EITH HOUCHEN's first | his own drug tests and did not stab at management | play in matches if the tests he was dismissed by Third Division Hartlepool United, were positive.

who are languishing in 91st place in the league.

The side have lost seven of their past eight matches and the final straw was the 3-2 home defeat by the bottom club Brighton. Their playercoach Mick Tait has taken

over as caretaker. Hartlepool's chairman Har-

He denied allegations that his urine sample had been switched with that of an oppoent before a post-match drug test in Argentina on August 11. Maradona's sample tested regard a draw against a team which had won their three negative, the other player's previous games as a signifiwas positive. "It's a load of nonsense. For

cant achievement but, in years I have done my own truth, this was hardly a night anti-doping controls during the week before a match. And

lan Ross

**McAllister turns the wrong into right** 

public address system was the bearer of unhappy tid-ings. While Nick Barmby was safely in place after his £5.75 OVENTRY City's plight is such that hey remain thankmillion move from Middles-brough, he would not be exful for small mercies. They will unquestionably

changing passes with Duncan Ferguso Ferguson is now free of sus pension but not of injury. A for their lives inside the opendamaged calf seems certain to remove him also from the for the purists. It was a remove him also from the scruffy and undistinguished Scotland team for the World ing minute.

Cup qualifier with Sweden in

facet. Not for the first time season at Everton. Last night this season Goodison Park's would have been his 52nd public address system was match. He may well hold his But, once Coventry found a was made not by the referee try drew level on 68 minutes, tready rhythm in central mid-but by one of his assistants. Gary McAllister breezed in field, they too began to hint at Graham Stuart scored but, to from the left, sweeping in a steady rhythm in central midfield, they too began to hint at goals. Richardson, an Everton own main-stand season ticket. Coventry do not travel well. avourite for a different gen-They do not do anything par-ticularly well. Their solitary league victory came at Highfield Road in mid-September. They started like a team with one eye on damage limitation. They were scrapping

and unself-

protest not only Richardson's innocence but also that Ogrieration of fans, twice saw thunderous drives from diszovic had been impeded in the build-up. The argument held tance pass narrowly wide. Everton's hitherto methodi-cal football began to fray at the edges. The overall pattern wate was lost on some players, no tably Kanchelskis. The opening half had died a slow, painful, almost ugly

This perceived injustice did little to enhance Coventry's chances of recovery. Their football was even more threadbare, even less convincing after the interval and,

a man, Coventry continued to | shot which appeared to take a

league goal of the Season. Eventer: Southall: Barrott. Watson Unsworth (Branch, 73min) Hinch Kanchelsias, Parkingon (Grant, 83), 8 Barmby, Stuart Generatry Citys Ogrizavic: Shaw, Williams Darsh, Borrown (Ndiovu, 90).

Gary McAllister breezed in

from the left, sweeping in a

slight deflection off Speed. It was only their second away

 Jack Walker has publicly ecting more pace. Ever reassur Blackburn

old Hornsey said: "Keith has | if I tested positive in my tests achieved a lot and his team will eventually prove its worth, but recent results made change inevitable."

Diego Maradona has told scan showed no serious damthe Italian newspaper La Re- age from a head injury pubblica that in order to received in Milan's Serie A avoid detection he carried out game against Atalanta.

affair, characterised throughout by wretched finishing and I did not play. And I played this time, didn't I?" he said. poorly channelled efforts. Roberto Baggio has been released from hospital after a It did not take long to dampen the spirit of those Everton supporters looking to

man of Merseyside football. In six turbulent years of see the Dr Jekyll side of their south of the border the big ton could comfortably have team's character eclipse the man has managed 172 ended the contest before Covteam's character eclipse the man has managed 172 ended the commore prominent Mr Hyde matches. He is in his third entry settled.

Glasgow at the weekend. He likely to be too much for them is fast becoming the invisible and, with possession, came chances. That all were missed had more to do with ill forsenior football north and tune than wastefulness. Ever-

Barmby's free

ish running always

death when added time ton threatened to run away yielded the goal which Everton must have feared would never come. It was controver sial too. Although Barmby's shot clearly struck Richard-son's arm, it did so only after ricocheting at speed off his

with the game. Speed struck a post with a fine drive and Barmby would

hip. The award of a penalty Then, improbably, Coven- I will continue to back them."

more of his money will be made available for a big-name manager. "My position hasn't fine drive and Barmby would have rounded off a satisfying debut in style had he not de-day. "My commitment to the club remains as firm as ever."

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# Norway's lversun poised to join Spurs

HE Norwegian striker for Francis, who has been Stefan lversun is one of three foreign players on reluctance of his chairman the target list of Tottenham's manager Gerry Francis. The 19-year-old, a key figure in Britain. Rosenborg's European Champions League side and scorer of 10 coals in 16 cames for Norway Under-21, was in London at the weekend and had further talks at White Hart Lane yesterday over the pro-posed £1.75 million move on a five-year contract. Iversun has also interested

fender who plays for Rennes, and Ramon Vega, who last summer chose Cagliari over Barcelona and Manchester United but would be a coup | Spurs.

is one of four withdrawals from the England Under-21 squad for Friday's European Championship qualifier in Georgia. The Wimbledon leftreluctance of his chairman Alan Sugar to pay the millions needed for top players in back pulled out after damag-The fee would beat the previous record for a Norwegian player, the  $\pounds_1.5$  million that took Ole Solskjaer to Man-chester United last summer. ing his foot in Wimbledon's draw with Arsenal on Saturday. Marcus Hall of Coventry Francis is also hoping to tempt Stephane Mahe, the French international deand Birmingham's former Newcastle midfielder Chris Holland, who both played in

last month's goalless draw with Poland at Molineaux, "It gives us the opportunity to see a few new faces. We are out with groin and ankle want to look at anybody who injuries. They are joined by could get into the senior

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The captain Ben Thatcher | Middlesbrough's uncapped | squad. That's no bad thing." is one of four withdrawals | midfielder Phil Stamp, who | ● The Middlesbrough striker midfielder Phil Stamp, who damaged a calf muscle in Sun-day's defeat at Newcastle. Fabrizio Ravanelli and the Chelsea midfielder Roberto Peter Taylor, the Under-21 Di Matteo have been called up in a revamped Italy squad for a friendly against Bosnia in manager, is likely to name a replacement today. "It looks

as if I'll have to bring some-body in because of the posi-Sarajevo tomorrow. Arrigo Sacchi, in what may tions the missing players play," he said. "Although I be his last match as coach, also recalled Atalanta's midhave 17. a lot are strikers and fielder Gianluigi Lentini, The we probably need another midfielder or defender. 27-year-old cost AC Milan £16 nillion when he moved from Torino in 1992 but was out for

nearly a year after suffering head injuries in a car crash in August 1993.

American Football

WallES's chances of getting anything from the World Cup qualifier in Holland on Saturday were reduced almost to zero yesterday when Fyan Giggs was pulled out of the squad by Manchester United, writes Martin

Thorpe. Although Giggs is ready to play again after missing United's past six games with a calf strain. Alex Ferguson

is taking no risks with his fitness. He desperately not now been called on to needs the winger to lift his side by playing at home to Jason Bowen of Birming-

Dutch in Eindhoven without two of their best players, having already lost 3-1 in Cardiff to Holland a month ago. The extent of the rift be-

tween Bobby Gould and Wales's top scorer Jan Rush can be gauged by the fact that, after the Leeds striker was left out of the original

Wales suffer Giggs blow

Arsenal on Saturday week. ham, who was on standby, With Mark Hughes sus-pended, Wales take on the other Bowen, West Ham's other Bowen, West Ham's Mark, is expected to fly out with the squad today despite a groin strain. Liverpool's Lee Jones has also been promoted after Bolton withdrew their striker Na-

out of an 18-man Holland squad. The Manchester United forward was substituted at half-time in Cardiff and Holland's coach Guus Hiddink has dropped him for the return.

than Blake. Jordi Cruyff has been left

I'm a changed man now, Gascoigne tells Hoddle

large may want to reserve

judgment. Something, however, does appear to be getting through



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Continued from p26 players here have noticed it., where his life was leading. and in time you'll all see it as well," he said. The world at ... whatever you call it ... cepted as Paul Gascoigne the Continued from p26 in the past. I want to be ac-cepted as Paul Gascoigne the I've just done it, you know. Later, the next day, I've footballer and Paul Gascoigne

little longer,

the person." None of this may survive the first bad tackle on Saturday, either on Gascoigne or by him, but for the moment he seems convinced that counselling has made him Golf more relaxed with opponents

Golf Solvy WCRLD RANKINGS 1. G Norman (Aan) 10.350n; 2.7 Lehman (US) 9.40; 3. E Els (SA1 8.77; 4. N Feldo (Eng) 8.66; 5. F Couples (US) 8.56; 6. C Montgomerie (Scott 8.3, 7. M Ozaki (Japan) 8.18, 8. P Michelson (US) 7.74; 9. C Pavin (US) 7.46; 7. 0. O Love III (US) 7.25; 11. M O'Meara (US) 7.10; 12. N Proce (Limi 6.56; 13. S Stroker (US) 6.11; 14. S Elikajton (Aas) 8.83; 15. B Langer (Ger) 5.70; 16, 8 Hoah (US) 5.60; 17. V Singh (Fuj) 5.25; 40. M Voosnam (Walee) 4.47; 40, 8 Torrance (Scott 3.42; 65, 8 Lange (Eng) 2.25; 66, A Collart (Scott) 2.25; 70, 1. Wistwood (Eng) 1.36; 34, P McGinitry (Irc) 1.36; 36, P Har-negton (Iro) 1.71, 100, P Lawrie (Scott) 1.68. Tennis "In the past I seemed to hate everybody. That's the one thing I'm getting rid of." The issue of whether Gascoigne stays in the England team has now taken over from the question of Hoddle keeping him in the squad. Hoddle admitted yesterday that he had not made up his mind about whether to field Tennis Gascoigne on Saturday.

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needs. He might not want it, but he might need it." At the moment the odds are shifting steadily towards Gas-colgne being asked to march through Georgia. But the metamorphosis from Toby Beich to Prospero will take a

Partic Aliante 20. Carolina 17: Ballimore 21, Cincinnati 24, Cheago 13, Tampa Bay 10: Dallas 21, Philadolphia 31, Green Bay 28, Detroi 16: Indianapolis 19, San Diago 28; NY Glants 16, Arizona 8; Pittsburgh 42, St Louis 6: Bullalo 38, Washington 13: Minne-sota 6, Nansas City 21, New England 42, Manni 23, Seattle 23, Houston 16, New Orleans 17, San Francisco 24, Standingus American Candersonae Eactored 1, New Containty (0) 1 McAlliniar 68

Miami 23: Seattle 23: Housion 16, New Orleans 17: San Francisco 24. Standinges England (W6, L3, PP244, PA169); 2. Buffato (%3-157-156); 3. Indianapolio 15-4-158-1711; 3. Miami (4-5-20)-152; 8, NY Jata (1-8-146-253); Coewtowit I. Pittaburgh (W7 L2, PP208, PA120); 2, Housion (5-4-159-176); 3. Buffatore Bioladam: 1, Denver (W7, L1, PF223, PA124); 2, Kanses City (5-3-178-148); 3 an Disego (5-4-196-218); 4. Oxid-160-2522); 5. Jacksonville (4-5-164-216). National Coedformance Bostomer, 1, Phila-deiphile (W7, L2, PF211, PA179); 2, Wash-ington (7-6-205-153); 3, Datias (5-4-166-146); 4, NY Glanns 14-5-140-350); 5, Arizone (3-6-127-204). Combrait, 1, Green Bay (W8, L1, PF269, PA117); 2, Minnesoda (5-4-164-158); 3, Chicago 14-5-120-178), 4, Detroit (4-5-187-187); 5, Tampa Bay (1-6-3-5-179); Westerme 1, San Francisco (W7, L2, PF217, PA123); 2, Caroline (5-4-163-131); 3, New Orleans (3-7-138-204); 4, St Louis (2-7-162-254); 5, Caroline (5-4-163-131); 3, New Orleans (3-7-138-204); 4, St Louis (2-7-162-254); 5, Janse (5-4-163-131); 3, New Orleans (3-7-138-204); 4, St Louis (2-7-162-254); 5, Caroline (5-6150-244); 4, St Louis (2-7-162-254); 5, St Caroline (5-6150-244); 4, St Louis (2-7-162-544); 5, St Caroline (5-6150-244); 5, St 20-162-544); 5, St 20-162-560-560 PA CUP: Fourth-round qualifying registy: Morecambe 4, Lancaster 2. Oni VAUXNALL COMPENSION: Kudder Oni VALICUAL CONFIGNMENCE: Kudder-ninstor S. Hayes I. Generation (Jelen (Jelen

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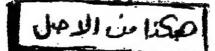
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### **Rugby Union**

Jack Rowell names his England captain today. Robert Armstrong says the hot favourite for a hot seat is old enough if good enough 

# **Dallaglio leader of the leaders**



### Jack Rowell . . . the coach nominates the captain, the RFU appoints him

HE England cap-taincy may not quite be a poisoned chalice whoever takes on the job will have to deal with more than his fair share of rancour, envy and malice. At any of England's leading any of England's leading clubs — Bath, say, or Leices-ter or Wasps — people are likely to say that, while Will Carling had a long run as skipper, really England's three Grand Slams in the Ninctics had nothing to do Nineties had nothing to do with the Harlequins centre. That's gratitude.

Lawrence Dallaglio is the hot favourite to succeed Carling with a fanfare of good wishes at Twickenham today but already his critics are saying the Wasps flanker is too young, at 24, for the job and that anyway he is not cer-tain to keep his place. Jason Leonard, the senior pro with 49 caps, is regarded as a strong, credible contender yet a host of shortcomings are laid at his door: lack of charisma, mediocre work rate, no pace and so on.

Only in England are the candidates for a top sporting post assessed primarily in terms of their negative attribute

Tim Rodber, who used to be known as FEC (Future England Captain), is reckoned to have played himself out of contention through a combination of allegedly poor form and his dismissal for punch-

Group captain . . . from the left, the probable Dallaglio, the possible Clarke and the past Carling at England's recent training session TOM JENKINS

claim Carling did nothing last season, desperately need to Dallaglio, a man who posi-more than make the after-din-a captain with excellent com-tively relishes problem-solva captain with excellent communication skills who cares ner speeches are also fond of saying that England, in the new era of the all-powerful coach, do not need a captain. just as much about winning and losing as Carling did. When Plan A goes wrong — and it usually does for Eng-That argument is never ap-plied to, say, New Zealand or Scotland, perhaps because land — a cool, independent personality at the helm is committed and inspirational leaders such as Sean Fitzpatorth his weight in lucrative RFU contracts. A desire to sort out chaos in the heat of rick and Gavin Hastings would render it absurd.

The front runners

In truth England, who lost to South Africa and France sions is essential. All of which brings us back

laglio is very much his own tively relishes problem-solv-ing on the hoof, notwithstanding his modest total of six caps. Unlike Carling, who was given the job at 22, the 6ft 4in Wasps forward has a proven background of club captaincy - thrust upon him when Dean Ryan took the Newcastle shilling - that should serve as an invaluable battle and to make big deci- apprenticeship for the tasks Like

Carling, thou

which undermined the prepa-rations of the England squad. If Rowell does nominate Dallaglio, the coach will not be getting a mere placeman who loyally rubber-stamps the de-cisions of the boss. Instead there will be the guarantee of a healthy level of creative tension with the coaching staff as well as the troops. If Dallaglio were to be

man, publicly questioning front runners or dark horses some recent Epruc decisions would make anything less would make anything less than a competent England captain. Other European nations, including France, would be delighted to have men of such calibre to choose from. One reason why Carling flourished for eight sea-sons, leading England to a re-cord 44 wins, was the number of potential leaders around him. It is time again for positive discrimination.

Tim Rodber

Age 27, caps 25

passed over, none of the other

by function Eddie Butler, the former Wales captain, believes it is the coach who pulls the strings

lution of the game in this

HROUGHOUT rug by's second Bore War. only one secret has will be over and there will be an official announce-

ment, an appointment, an anointment with all the pomp that Twickenham can muster for a good-news story. It would be interesting if

World style. in reverse order ... (drum roll) "In third place. Philip De Glan-ville; in second, Jason Leonard ... but first and indisputably licensed to print worker Leonard print money, Lawrence Dallaglio..." (fanfare). It will be a PR triumph. putting the sport ahead of the politics on the back pages. Big Jack Rowell had said he would not nominate his skipper until the squab-

bling was over. And here he will be, naming his man. But what does it all mean? What will the Eng-land captain have to do? By far the biggest part of the job will be dealing with the media. All the leading candidates are good at that. Leonard is your mate down the pub, 'ave a laugh, give a Frog a smack if he starts taking the mickey in the scrum. De Glanville is

classless Oxbridge. And Dallaglio is the man who rose to his feet last season when asked by Rowell to explain precisely how England were going to beat Scotland, and gave the coach and fellow players chapter and verse with un linking authority.

The hotel meeting-room on a Saturday morning or the changing room just before kick-off are about the

Grand Slams but mauled rugby into the first Bore War which set back the evolution of the game in this hemisphere by five years. Carling will go down as a good captain but really he was simply the leader of a good team. Compare him with Phil Bennett of Wales, Ciaran Fitzgerald of Ire-land and Gavin Hastings of Scotland. Each was a suc-

Scotland. Each was a suconly one secret has survived the York-shire Water torture. Only one bit of information has not been leaked the name of the England captain. This morning the waiting will be over and there will on each occasion the All Blacks were a better side. Ironically, what made Carling great was that as non-captain in 1993 he

went through a nightmare tour but re-emerged right at the end with reputation enhanced. To do that as a Mariyn Lewis could read enhanced. To do that as a out the winners, Miss dirt-tracker in New Zealand speaks volumes for his

personal motivation. On the field there is little the captain can do. He can tell the kicker to go for the corner rather than goal, he can opt for a scrum rather than a line-out, but the game is now played at such a pace that drastic tactical rethinks are beyond a participant's vision.

The coach determines style. He is the strategist. The captain can only moti-vate beforehand, get stuck into the play and deliver a few quips afterwards. The coach bas the overview from the stand; only he can alter things by sending on his messages and juggling his replacements.

The only time the captain will have to think on his feet and make major snap decisions is in the media scrum. And Carling is the benchmark against whom the new man will be judged. It is one of the ironies of the situation that Carling became a tactical genius off the pitch just as he was giving up the captaincy. He showed an unlikely common touch and won univer-sal approval for his "Old Farts" aside and for going

scrumping over the palace wall. And then he was welcomed back into the fold of the establishment for refusonly places where the cap-tain can shift the mood of his team. And even there. brilliant. in the inner sanctum, it is debatable whether a few Though his successor may have an admirable tacwords, however well delivtical brain, how will he folered, can alter things. Will Carling was Englow Carling in the areas of captaincy that really matland's most successful cap-tain and yet his team talks ter? He will not be in com-mand of his destiny, for his reputation will be forged by do not appear to have been his team and his coach. England could play safe, all that stirring. He persuaded his forwards to but if they truly want to change their ways on the big occasion only once -and England lost the 1991 avoid a third Bore War they will need to take risks. The new captain may not be World Cup final. Carling's England ruled in a position to have a prin-Europe because they were the best team. They won cess, but a fairy godmother might come in handy.

ing an opponent in South rica two years ago. Ben Clarke, rated by Nev

Zealanders as top British player on the 1993 Lions tour, is thought to have killed off his prospects by opting for League Two rugby and the megabucks of Richmond. As for the Bath skipper Phil De Glanville, he has undeniable leadership skills and a good working relationship with the England coach Jack Rowell, yet at 28 he is still not sure of his place, having won 16 caps, half of them as a replacement. hom from her a The legion of snipers who Richmond Bridge.

**Ben Clarke** Lawrence Dallaglio | Phil De Glanville Age 28, caps 28 Age 24, caps 6 Age 28, caps 16 Big Ben's long-term contract with Richmond will earn the former Bath forward at least The big Wasp with the Italia pedigree enjoys standing at the blackboard during England team talks outlining strategies £1 million and he could expect to triple that as England capand options for success. He tain. Friandly and ultra-relaxed, Clarke did not bat an eyelid has a certain way with referees too, often chatting them up with such relentless charm recently when his girth gave him a sharp blast of the hom from her sportscar on that they start being infacted with his hostility towards the opposition.

Tennis

#### The Bath captain is a skilled diplomat, as he proved by per-suading virtually all the Bath squad to stay together when substantial offers were flooding in from rival clubs last spring. With Carling and Guscott in form, his place is uncertain but his ability to talk good sense allied to astute tactical awareness would serve England well.

### **Jason Leonard** Age 28, caps 49 England's most capped prop can — and does — talk to anyone on virtually any subject, so instant communica things go wrong should not be a problem. Harlequins' captain

bouncing his racket in frus-tration as a series of early-

ball returns and net rushes earned the break-back. Once

the set was saved, it was all Washington. He won 7-6, 6-2. Cedric Pioline, who could be a significant figure for

France in the Davis Cup final at the end of the month, then

became the first seed to fall, beaten 6-4, 3-6, 6-2 by another Czech, Martin Damm, who is

The fourth seed appeared to have rallied his way back in the second set, but once Damin broke serve at the first

ranked outside the top 50.

An Army officer with the Green Howards, Rodber's stock in the eyes of Jack Rowell went up and down like a yo-yo last season when he was captaining Northampton's promotion drive has remarkable courage on and from League Two. His recent off the field, as he showed by making his Test come-back against Canada after delicate form back in League One has been first-rate, which should ensure a back-row berth, if not neck surgery four years ago. the captaincy.

# Newcastle given Saturday off

EWCASTLE, who had preparation is vital, and threatened to pull that means players attendthree of their players

from Scotland's squads for the weekend unless they were given permission to postpone Saturday's Courage league game against Rotherham, were yesterday successful with their plea.

It is understood that the thumbs up was given by the English Professional Rugby Union Clubs (Epruc), which last week also gave West Hartlepool permission to postpone a league match because of injury problems. Newcastle's scrum-half

Gary Armstrong and lock Doddie Weir were named in the Scotland squad for Saturday's Test against Aus-tralia, and the flanker Peter Walton was called up for Friday's A-team game against South Africa A.

The Wasps lock Andy Reed, however, will miss has been named team man-the Scotland A game be ager of the Courage League cause he is needed for his One club although his apclub's Anglo-Welsh Cup game at Pontypridd tomorrow and is unable to attend the national squad's training sessions.

Scotland's A-team manager Doug Morgan said: "I felt that this was not the ideal preparation; proper

## **Further Anglo-Weish delays**

THE Angle-Weish Cup, be-devilled by postpone-ments, resumes tomorrow land flanker Neil Back with only half of its eight fix. returns after a six-month ban - he pushed a referee - for tures intact. Northampton's home fixture with Caerphilly their visit to Neath. Llanelli visit Harlequins, Pontypridd entertain Wasps and Dunvant moves to November 26 and new dates must also be ar-ranged for Bridgend v Bristol, Newbridge v West Hartlepool host London Irish.

ranged for Bridgend v Bristol, Newbridge v West Hartlepool and Saracens v Treorchy. Yet Harlequins, Leicester and Llanelli, all facing Neine-ken Cup quarterfinals in 11 ter-final on Saturday week.

ing squad sessions." The Swanses and Wales

fly-half Arwel Thom rejected an approach from the French club Bourgoin. "Their fly-half, Gille Cassange, is retiring at the end of this season and they want a replacement," said the 21-year-old former Bris-tol player. "It was flatter-ing, and I am interested in playing for a French club at some stage of my career. I

can't yet because of my other commitments." The uncapped Harlequins flanker Rory Jenkins has received his first England call-up of the season and is to attend tomorrow's 46man practice session at Bisham Abbey.

Sale's winger Adrian Hadley, a Welsh interna-tional at league and union, ager of the Courage League One club although his ap-pointment will not affect the New Zealander John Mitchell's position as

(MITCHEAT 5 DORTION as Digyer-COSCh. MACINGTON CUP Fourth round dates Wigton v Oiley. Liverpool St Heises v Praston Grasshoppars, Leoss v Moriey. Reading v Widnez, Cheltenham v Weston-super-Mars, Eventr, v Konstal, Lydney v Newbox, Roedyn Park v Esher. This to be played Nov 22.

**Moya avoids early Moscow coup** abandoned his favoured style | ble when 3-5 down to Bohdan | served too potently on a much and tried to serve and volley | Ulibrach. However, the Amer-instead. | ican then had the Czech | that in Paris for the French-Richard Jago in Moscow

Despite two match points ARLOS MOYA, conqueror of Boris Becker and Tim Henman in t him on his serve at 3-5 in the second set, Moya rescued himself by this less familiar method, although at 5-6 in the tie-break he had to Paris last week, three times came within a point of being knocked out in the opening match of the Kremlin Cup save a third match point with a high, lurching backband, yesterday. The eighth-seeded Span-

drawing a ground-stroke error from Furlan. Moya's best shot, his fore-hand, snatched the last point iard's career-best effort last week was almost followed by his becoming the first seed to nand, shatched the last point of a tense tie-break by  $\delta$ -6, and he progressed quickly to a double break of serve in the third set and victory. The sixth-seeded MaliVai Washington, the Wimbledon depart here. Moya survived 4-6, 7-6, 6-4 against Renzo Furlan, a nimble Italian ranked No. 39 in the world who rallied with

such steadiness that for a while the Barcelona baseliner runner-up, was in early trou- attempt in the third set he from 54 to 53.

### American Football

into overtime.

Mark Tran In New York

PHILADELPHIA are back in business as serious challengers for the Super Bowl. The Eagles landed in the Dallas Cowboys' backyard and came away with a 31-21 win that snapped a long los-

will field goal to send the game

the Washington Redskins, Their quarterback Troy Aikman floated a pass toward the left corner of the Eagles' end zone, but the throw was whereas the Cowboys have alipped to 5-4. It had looked bad for the Ea. football team." too soft. James Willis eagerly intercepted it, ran out of the

end some and, in an inspired if risky play, passed the ball when they lost their For the Cowboys, though, gles

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rugby-style to Troy Vincent. | starting quarterback Rodney | this devastating defeat was The speedy cornerback, | Feete early in the season, but | the last thing they needed be-bought from Miami for \$16.5 | his able deputy Ty Deimer | fore Sunday's showdown with the last thing they needed be-fore Sunday's showdown with his able deputy Ty Deimer has become a local hero in Philadelphia after leading the the San Francisco 49ers, who beat the New Orleans Saints Eagles to one victory after 24-17. another. Jerry Rice, the 49ers' ex-

On Sunday the calm traordinary receiver, set an-other milestone in his already Detmer outshone Alkman. He threw a 14-yard TD pass to the illustrious career by becom ing the first player to make 1,000 receptions. He caught a veteran receiver Irving Fryar, sneaked in for a sixyard TD himself, avoided any 36-yard TD pass, set up an-other TD with his record-setting catch and recovered an onside kick as the 49ers Bagles field goal, the other to Philadelphia's dramatic TD. notched up their seventh win of the season.

Ray Rhodes, the Ragles' coach, was elated. "We talked A match between the 49ers and the Cowboys is normally about the fourth quarter all seen as a preview of the Super Bowl, but that duopoly looks set to end this year, with a very strong Green Bay Packers team lying in wait and challengers such as the Ba-gles and the Redskins also on hand.

ENGLAND's team of Peter Ebdon, Nigel Bond and Ronnie O'Sullivan unconvincman to have another chance. All of which should act as a warning to Henman, who starts today against the Zim-babwean Byron Black, who employs double-handed ingly qualified for the quar-ter-finals of the Castrol Honda World Cup here by beating Pakistan 6-3 to finish top of Group C. strokes on both wings. If the British No.1 comes through

Snooker

O'Sullivan has

**Clive Everton in Bangkok** 

close shave

to a second-round meeting with Marc Rosset he will find Ebdon, who has won 10 of the 12 frames he has played, said: "No matter how self-critthe Swiss player's serve booming on this surface. ical you are, a win is a win. We can only improve. We'll Henman has dropped from 25 to 28 in the ATP rankings take some beating." Bond, though, has taken

issued yesterday after succes-sive first-round defeats in only four frames and said he felt "horrible because I'm let-ting the team down". He was Stuttgart and Paris. Greg Rusedski has risen one place, beaten by all three Paki-stanis, Mohammed Saleh,

Shokat Ali and Farhan Mirza. O'Sullivan was unsettled 10 minutes before his opening frame when the tournament director, Ann Yates, told him to go and shave. She had

Williams at Bournemouth two weeks ago; clean-shaven or bearded is acceptable but her interpretation of the dress code excludes designer stubble. Pakistan looked set to take

second place until Thailand pipped them by beating Doug Mountjoy's United Arab Emirates 9-0 to secure a quarter-final berth. Northern Ireland, requiring

four frames from New Zealand to finish second to the Republic of Ireland in Group A, beat them 6-3. Scotland fin-iahed top of Group B by beat-ing Hong Kong 8-1, with Stephen Hendry making a brock of 184 Conside also

break of 124. Canada also qualified from this section. Wales, 5-4 winners over Malta, headed Group D but their No. 1 Darren Morgan flew home afterwards because his mother is critically ill. His place will be taken by Mark Bennett.

Vic Batchelder THE Cardiff Devils like sudden-death overtime and they took full advantage of it to win 3-3 at Nottingham on Saturday and 5-4 at home to the Newcastle Cobras on Sunday. The victories put them top

Ice Hockey

Devils revel in

sudden-death

of the Superleague, a point ahead of Newcastle and the Sheffield Steelers. They visit the Steelers tomorrow. "That will be a tough one," the Devils' coach Paul Heavey said yesterday, adding that, though he had not received any requests for overtime rates from his players, "I wouldn't be surprised if they come in the office and start talking about it".

Heavey said Cardiff would stand by their Canadian for-ward Marty Yewchuk, who, having appealed against an initial nine-game suspension, given the same order to Mark had his ban increased to 20 matches on Saturday. "The club is shocked at the suspension, it's way, way too excessive. We'll be exploring all avenues to get the decision reversed if possible," said said

Heavey, adding that he believed the Superleague was making an example of Yewchuk as a deterrent to others. The Peterborough Pirates attracted their best crowd of the season on Sunday to see

what may prove to have been the financially stricken Premier League's club last game. If it was, they have the small consolation that they Telford 7-4.

The Pirates, whose latest potential backer broke off takeover negotiations last week, have until tomorrow evening to pay off some of their debts to the British Ice Hockey Association, which has postponed their next three games while further rescue moves are made.

Eagles swoop for last-minute win to rein in the Cowboys

million, repaid some of that

money by zigzagging 90 yards down the field for a glorious touchdown. It was a spectacular way for the Eagles to conquer their nemesis.

"I saw the Cowboys' tight ing streak. Texas Stadium had been end coming my way," said Willis, "I just stood there, the burial ground of Philadelturned around and the ball was coming. I ran it for 10 yards but I was dead tired. I haven't heard about the lat-eral [pass] yet, but I'm sure I Begless field goal, the other to Philedelohie's dramatic TD. phia's hopes in the past five years and so it seemed again with just over a minute left. The Cowboys were poised for a winning touchdown, or a

The Eagles now share first place in the NFC East with besten 38-13 by the Buffalo night and all last week." he Bills. The Eagles and the Red said. "We made the plays in Bills. The Eagles and the Red-skins both boast a 7-2 record the fourth quarter. No turn-

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# Sports Guardian

# **GASCOIGNE ON GASCOIGNE**

'l can't really describe the rage inside. Obviously what happened with my wife I deeply regret, and that will live with me for ever.'

'I don't blame the likes of the women's rights. I don't blame anybody for wanting me kicked out of the squad.'



. Paul Gascoigne, self-confessed wife-beater, with Glenn Hoddle, under fire for including him in the England squad PHOTOGRAPH TOM JENKOW

David Lacey with the England party on a day when violence counselling upstaged World Cup qualifying team-talk

# I'm a changed man, really I am

NGLAND yesterday recurrent knee injury. Tony after being grilled by report the England coach. and The public reaction was the Gleneagles incident, tween 1968 and 1984. By main-began their prepara. Adams was due at a meeting ters with almost every quest nounced Gascoigne's inclusion in the souad for Thilisi

# Golfers never die, they grow old gracefully



**Richard Williams** 

EE TREVINO won a tournament on Sunday, which is good news for se who like to see sames played with a certain games played with a certain panache. They will not be sur-prised to bear that the 56 year-old earned his victory by sink-ing a 35ft birdle putt at the first hole of a five-way play-off. He had been on his way out of the clubhouse at the Moors Golf Club in Milton, Florida with his bag in his hand, on his way to collect the cheque for a tied second place in the Emerald Coast Classic, when he heard the news that Dave Stockton, the leader, had bo-

geyed the 17th. Trevino put his bag down and had a rethink. He had al-ready given his hat and his remaining balls to a security uard. "I said, 'Listen, you've got to give me the halls back. I've got another bat'." Ten minutes later he could

afford a few more hats. How much do you think that playoff putt was worth to Trevino, almost three decades after he won his first major? A cheque for \$157,758, that's how much. His first victory this year also gave him the 27th of his career on the Senior Tour, which is a record, to add to the two Opens, two US Opens and two US PGAs he conquered be-

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for the veterans to set up their own tour. What they are doing is feeding the boundless appetite of all those television channels out there. And the sponsors and advertisers love it because the appearance of famous names guarantees a certain level of interest and exposure. But the by-product is a lot of harmless fun for the

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Not all sports are ideally suited to It. First among th you might have thought, would be boxing. But the world heavyweight champi-onship continues to provide the spectacle of the world's most highly paid senior sportsmen shaking their aunches at one another.

But if you were, let's say, former professional cycling champion, the memory of all those years of pain would almost certainly deter you from anything more than a social spin on a Sunday afternoon. Athletics, rugby and football are too aerobically demanding, and — as those kickabouts they sometimes have before the Cup final prove — the con-trast between the images in our memory and the reality in front of our eyes is too painful. Cricket is fine for batsman but not co flettering to

but not so flattering to bowlers, although I would pay good money and travel a fair distance to see any match fea turing Dennis Lillee and Michael Holding in their pres ent states of repair.

Motor racing is pretty good, and it doesn't even need to be competitive. Too young to have seen Stirling Moss driv-ing a Vanwall in the late Fifties, I watched him guide one gently around Monza 20 years later, treating the elegant green car as gently as if it were the district nurse's Mor ris Minor. Somehow it was

ions for Saturday's of Alcoholics Anonymous, World Cup qualifier and Paul Gascoigne bared his against Georgia in what soul He bared it, moreover, like might now be regarded as normal circumstances. Domi-nic Matteo was bothered by a pertise born of practice. And On Friday Glenn Hoddle, eagles Hotel 19 days earlier.

tion except "When did you stop beating your wife?" he received a round of applause. It was not the media's most

despite allegations that the player had battered Sheryl, his wife of 14 weeks, during

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decision. Women's groups adly bruised fa aged fingers. "What I did, I really were enraged. His explana-

tion that Gascolgne needed help, was having counselling, and that leaving him out couldn't believe that was me the following morning," Gaswould have been too easy an coigne said in his broad option, did not spare Hoddle from accusations that he had Geordie accent. "So I thought I'd definitely got to sort it out. "The thing that happened with Sheryl I really regret. I don't blame the likes of regarded football skill as reason enough not to censure a player who hit a female.

Yesterday Gascoigne, not Hoddle, decided the time was right for a public show of remorse. By the time he had finished, it was tempting to believe that in his 30th year women's rights. I don't blame anyone for wanting me kicked out of the squad. "Tm under pressure a lot more than other players and have been for five or six

Gazza Cretinus had at last beyears, and I've just let everything boll up inside of us in-stead of just coming out with things. The thing with me come Gazza Sapiens. We have been this way be-

fore. In the past, whenever Gascoigne has appeared to be on the point of reapplying for membership of the human race, he has tended to take a wife was the last straw." Gascoigne believes he is already a different person through the counselling he has had. raincheck at the last minute. The difference now would ap-"The Rangers players have

pear to be the professional help he decided to seek after

seven years, he boosted his on course return for the year to \$636,753 and pushed his career total as a senior to \$6,689,649, enabling him to retake the career lead from Bob Charles, the great left-hander from New Zealand.

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Trevino versus the rest at the Moors was the first fiveway play-off in the history of the Senior Tour, which will do its box office reputation no harm at all. But a nail-biting finish with big money at stake is not really the point of sport tween seniors, veterans,

classic sportsmen, heritage heroes or whatever marketing-friendly label you want to stick on those oldies who won't lie down and die.

The prosperity of an event such as the Emerald Coast Classic has the same root as that of so much professional sport at the end of the century.

noticed it, the England Continued p14, column 1 Nobody actually clamoured

OMETIMES the age ing process actually lets you see more. In golf, there is a chance to study the swings of oncegreat players at reduced speed, which makes it easier to savour the beauty and indi-viduality of the mechanism.

For this sort of thing, as for much else, tennis is the best game of the lot. It always surprises me that such a demanding game can be played with undiminished enjoyment into old age, since it involves spurts, lunges, keen eyes and quick reflexes. Yet Laver, Rosewall, Santana and many others play today almost ex-actly as they did in their prime, increasing with every year the number of genera-tions who can claim the pleasure of saying they saw them at first hand and were not disappointed.

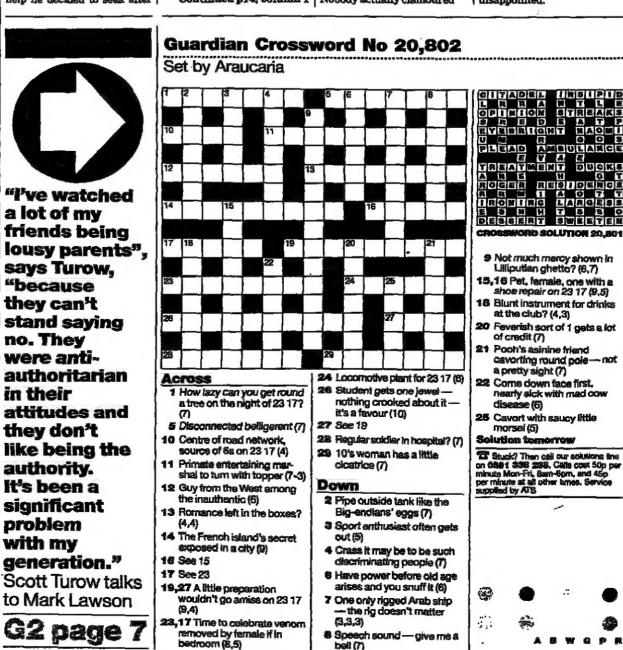


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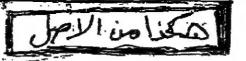
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